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**T**hat which my friend hath well begun  
For very love to Common-weale,  
Need not all whole to be new done,  
But now encrease I doe reveal.

Something herein I once redrest,  
And now again for thy behoof,  
Of zeal I doe, and at request,  
Both mend and add, fit for all proof.

Of numbers use, the endlesse might,  
No wit nor language can expresse :  
Apply and try both day and night,  
And then this truth thou wilt confesse.

J. Dec.

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The Books Verdict.

**T**O please or displease sure I am,  
But not of one sort to every man :  
To please the best sort would I faine,  
The froward displease shall I certaine;  
Yet wish I will though not with hope,  
All eares or mouths to please or stop.

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To the most mightie Prince,  
*Edward the 6<sup>th</sup> by the grace of God,*  
King of *England, France, and*  
*Ireland, &c.*



He Excellency of mans nature being such, as it is by Gods diuine fauour (most mighty Prince) not only created in highnesse of degree far above all other corporall things, but by perfection, reason, and search of wit, much approaching toward the image of God, as not onely the holy Scriptures doe testifie, but also those naturall Philosophers, which exactly did consider the nature of man, and namely the far reach and infinite compassse of the words of the mind, were enforced to confesse, that man scarcely was able to know himself. And if he would duely ponder the nature of himself, he would finde it so strange, that it might seem to him a very miracle: And thereof sprang that saying; *Magnus miraculum est homo, maximum miraculum sapiens homo.* For undoubtedly, as man is one of the greatest miracles that ever God wrought, so a wise man is plainly the greatest.

And therefore was it that some did account the head of a man the greatest miracle in the world, because not onely of the strange workmanship that is in it, but much more of the efficacy of reason, wit, memory, imagination, & such other powers, and works of the minde, which can more easily conceive any thing in a manner then understand it self. Amongst all the creatures of God, it findeth none more difficult to be perceived then the same powers of it self; whereby it doth conceive and judge: as it may be well conjectured by the diversity of opinions, that the wisest Philosophers did utter touching the spirit of man, and the substance of it: whereof I now intend to make no rehearsal; but who so listeth to read

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thereof, may finde it largely set forth; not onely in *Aristotle* his bookes *de Anima*, but also in *Galen* his booke called *Historia Philosophica*; and again in *Plutarch's* work, *De Philosophorum placitis*, whose words are also repeated of *Eusebius* in the xv. book, Τῆς εὐαγγελικῆς ἀποστολῆς, unto whom I remit them that have desired to understand intricate difficulty of knowing our own selves, as touching our best part, and that part whereby we deserve to bear the name of men.

This matter seemed so obicure and difficult in knowledge; that *Galen* who for his excellent wisdom and judgement in naturall works, is called of many men, a Miracle in Nature, yet in searching the nature and substance of the spirit of man, he not only confesseth himself ignorant, but counteth it plain temerity to attempt to finde it. So farre above the hope of mans knowledge is that part whereby man doth know and judge of things. And although the ignorant sort (which have all things that they know not) doe little esteeme the profoundnesse of a mans spirit and reason, the chief power and faculty of it: yet as there is a kind of fear and obedience of unreasonable beasts unto man, by the working power of God, so is there in those small reasoned persons a certain kind of reverence toward wisdom and reason, which they do shew oftentimes, and by power of perswasion, are enforced to obey reason, will they nill they. And hereby it came to passe, that the rudenesse of the first age of man was brought unto some more civill trade, as it is well declared by *Cicero*, in the beginning of his first book, *De Inventione Rhetorica*, where he saith thus, *Nam fuit quoddam tempus quum in agris homines passim bestiarum more vagabantur, & sibi victu ferino vitam p. opagabant, nec ratione animi quicquam, sed pleraq; viribus corporis administrabant. Nondum divina religionis, non humani ratio colebatur. Nemo legitimas videbat nuptias, non certos quisquam inspexerat liberos; non ius æquabile quid utilitatis haberet, acceperat: ita propter errorem atq; inscitiam cæca ac temeraria dominatrix animi cupiditas, ad se explendum viribus corporis abutebatur permiciosissimis satellitibus. Quo tempore quidam, magnus videlicet vir & sapiens, cognovit quæ materia esset, & quanta ad maximas res opportunitas in animis inisset hominum, si quis eam possit elicere, & præcipiendo meliorem reddere. Qui dispersos homines in agris, & in tectis sylvestribus abditos, ratione quadam compulit in unum locum, & congregavit. & eos in unamquamque rem inducens utilem atque honestam, primo propter insolentiam reclamantes, deinde propter rationem atque orationem studiosus*

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*studiosum audientes, ex seris & immanibus, mites reddidit & mansuetos.*

This long repetition of *Tullyes* words will seem tedious to them that love but little, and care much lesse for the knowledge of reason, but unto your Majesty (I dare say) it is a dilectable remembrance, and unto me it seemed so pleasant, that I could scarce stay my pen from writing all that mine eyes did so greedily read.

This sentence of *Cicero* am I loath to translate into English, partly for that unto your Majesty it needeth no translation, but especially knowing how far the grace of *Tullyes* eloquence doth excell any English mans tongue, and much more exceedeth the baseness of my barbarous style: yet for the fruit of my sentence, I had rather unto my meer English Country men utter the rudeness of my translation, then to defraud them the benefit of so good a lesson, trusting they will so learne to love reason, that they will also gladly and greedily embrace all good Sciences, that may help to the just furniture of the same, when they consider that informed reason was the onely instrument, or at least the chiefest means to bring men into civil regiment, from barbarous manners, and beastly conditions. "For the time was (saith *Tully*) that men "wandered abroad in the fields up and down like beasts, and used "no better order in feeding then they: so that by reasons rule "they wrought nothing, but most of their doings did they atthrive "by fore of strength. At this time there was no just regard of "religion towards God, nor of duty towards man. No man had "seen right use of marriage, neither did any man know their own "children from other; nor no man had felt the commoditie of "just Laws: so that through error and ignorance, willfull lust, "like a blind and heady ruler, abused bodily strength as a most "mortall minister for the satisfying of his desire. At that time "was there one which not onely in power, but also in wisdom was great, and he considered how that in the mind of "men was both apt instruments, and great occasion to the due "acomplishment of most weighty affaires, if a man could apply "them to use, and by teaching of rules frame them to better trade. "This man with perswasion of reason gathered into one place "the people that were wandring about the fields, and lay lurking in wild cottages, and woods, and bringing them in one common society, did trade them to all such things, as either were "profitable or honest, although not without repining at the first,

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“ by reason then they had not been so accustomed before : Yet at  
“ length through reason and perswasion of words they obeyed  
“ him more diligently, and so of a wild and cruel people he made  
“ them curteous and gentle.

Thus hath *Tully* set forth the efficacy of reason and perswasion,  
how it was able to convert wild people to a mildnesse, and to  
change their furious cruelnesse into gentle courtesie : were it not  
now a great reproach in this our time ( when knowledge reigneth  
so large ) that men should shew themselves lesse obsequious to rea-  
son ? Unlesse it may be thought that now every man having suf-  
ficient knowledge of himselfe, needeth not to harken to the per-  
swasion of others.

Indeed he that thinketh himselfe wise, will not esteeme the rea-  
son of any other, be he never so wise ; so that of such a one it may  
well be said : He that thinketh himselfe wiser then he is, may just-  
ly be counted a double fool. Wherefore such men are not to be  
permitted in open audience to talk, but must be put to silence,  
and be made to give ear to reason ; which reason consisteth not  
in the multitude of words heaped rashly together, and applied for  
one purpose, but reason is the expressing of a just matier with wity  
perswasions, furnished with learned knowledge : such know-  
ledge had *Moses*, being expert in all learning of the *Egyptians*, as  
the Scriptures declare, and therefore was able to perswade the stub-  
born people of the Jews, although not without pain. Such know-  
ledge, and such reasons did *Druids* shew which was the first Law-  
maker of all the West part of Europe. Like reason and wisdom  
did *Xamolxis* amongst the Goths. *Lycurgus* unto the Lacedemoni-  
ans. *Zeleucus* to the Locrians. *Solon* to the Athenienses, and  
*Dunwallo Molmutius* two thousand years past amongst the old  
Brittains of this Realm. And hereby came it to passe, that their  
Laws continued long till more perfect reason altered many of  
them, and wilfull power oppressed most of them.

At the beginning when these wise men perceived how hard it  
was to bring the rude people to understand reason, they judged the  
best means to attain this honest purpose, to depend of learning in  
every kinde : for by learning ( as *Ovid* saith ) *Pectora mitescunt,*  
*asperitasque fugit* ; Stout stomachs doe wax mild, and sharp fierce-  
nesse is exiled. Therefore as *Beatus* doth testifie, *Sarron* that was  
the third King over all this West part of Europe, for to bring the  
people from beastly rage to manly reason : did erect schools  
of liberall Arts, which tooke so good successe, that his name  
continued

*Druids* was  
son to King  
*Sarron*, and  
succeeded  
him in his  
kingdome.



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continued in that sort famous above two thousand years after: for *Diodorus Siculus* which was in the time of *Julius Caesar*, maketh mention of the learned men of Goths or Celtes, and nameth them *Sarronides*, that is to say, *Sarron his Schollers and followers*.

Amongst these Arts that then were taught some did inform the tongue, and make them able both to utter aptly their minde, and also to perswade; as Grammar, Logick, and Rhetorick, although not so curiously as in this time; some other did appertain to the just order of partition of lands, the true using of Weights, Measures and reckonings of all sorts of bargains, and for order of building and sundry other uses; those were Arithmetick and Geometry. Again, to incourage men to the honour of God, they taught Astronomy, whereby the wonderfull works of God were so manifestly set forth, that no mans tongue, nor pen can in like sort expresse his infinite Power, his unspeakable wisdom, and his exceeding goodnesse toward man, whereby he doth bountifully provide for man all necessities, not onely to live, but also to live pleasantly. And so was their confidence in Gods providence strongly stayed, knowing his goodnesse to be such, that he would help man as he could, & his power to be so great, that he would do nothing but that that was best. Besides these Sciences they taught also Musick, which most commonly they did apply partly to religious services, to draw men to delight therein, and partly to songs made of the manners of men, in praise of vertue and discommendation of vice, whereby it came to passe, that no man would displease them, nor doe any thing evill that may come to their hearing: for their songs made evill men more abhorred in that time then any excommunication doth in this time. The posterity of these Musicians continue yet both in Wales and Ireland, called *Bardes* unto this day, by the ancient name of *Bardus* the first founder.

This *Bardus*  
*Druidus*  
the 5. King  
of the Cel-  
tes, reigned  
60. years,  
and died  
1832 years  
before  
Christ.

And as these Sciences did encrease, so did vertue encrease thereby. Again as those Sciences did decay so vertue lost her estimation, and consequently was little in use: whereof to make a full declaration were a thing meet for a Prince for to hear, but it would require a peculiar Treatise. Wherefore at this present I count it sufficient, lightly to have touched this matter in generall words, and to say no more of the particularity thereof, but onely touching one of those Sciences, that is Arithmetick, by which not onely just partition of Lands was made, but also touching buying and selling, all Assises, Weights, and Measures were devis-

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ed, and all reckonings and accounts driven; yea by proportion of it were the true orders of justice limited, as *Aristotle* in his *Ethicks* doth declare, and the degrees of estates in the common-wealth established; although that proportion be called Geometricall and not Arithmetick, yet doth that proportion appertain to the art of Arithmetick, and in Arithmetick is taught the progression of such proportions, and all things thereto belonging. Wherefore I may well say, that seeing Arithmetick is so many wayes needfull unto the first planting of a Common-wealth, it must needs be as much required to the preservation of it also: for by the same means is any Common-wealth continued, by which it was erected and established. And if I shall in small matters in appearance, but indeed very weighty, put one example or two. What shall we say for the Statutes of this Realm, which be the onely stay of good order, in manner, now? As touching the measuring of ground by length and breadth, there is a good and an ancient Statute made by art of Arithmetick; and now it shall be to little use, if by the same art it be not practised and tried. For the assise of bread and drink, the two most common and most necessary things for sustentation of man, there was a goodly ordinance in the Law made, which by ignorance hath so grown out of knowledge, and use, that few men do understand it, and therefore the Statute books wonderfully corrupted, and the Commons cruelly oppressed: notwithstanding some men have written that it is too doubtfull a matter to execute those assises by those Statutes, by reason they depend of the standard of the coyne, which is much chang'd from the state of that time, when those Statutes were made. Thus shall every man read (that listeth) in the abridgement of the Statutes, in the title of Weights and Measures, in the seventh number of the English Book, where he should have translated a good ordinance which is set forth in the French Book: but no marvell if the Abridgment doth omit it seeing the great Book of Statutes doth omit the same Statute, as it hath done many other very good laws. And this is the fruit of ignorance to reject and condemn all that it understandeth not, although they use some cloaks for it, but such cloaks as being allowed, might serve to repell all good laws; which God forbid.

Again, there is an ancient order for assise of fire, wood and coals, which was renewed not many years past; and now how avarice and ignorance doth canase that Statute, it is too pitifull to talk of, and more miserable to feel.

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Furthermore, for the Statute of Coynage, and the standard thereof, if the people understood rightly the Statute, they should not nor would (as they often do) gather an excuse for their folly thereby: but as I said, these Statutes by wisdom and good knowledge of Arithmetick were made, & by the same must they be continued. And let ignorance no more meddle with the use of them, then it did with the making of them. Oh in how miserable case is that Realm, where the ministers and interpreters of the law are destitute of all good Sciences, which be the keyes of the lawes! How can they either make good lawes, or maintain them that lack the true knowledge whereby to judge them? And happy may that Realm be accounted, where the Prince himself is studious of learning, and desireth to understand equity in all laws. Therefore most happy are we the loving subjects of your Majesty, which may see in your Highnesse not onely such towardnesse, but also such knowledge of diverse arts, as seldom hath been seen in any Prince of such years, whereby we are enforced to conceive this hope certainly, that he which in those years seeketh knowledge when knowledge is least esteemed, and of such an age can discern them to be enemies both to his royall Person and to his Realms, which labour to withdraw him from knowledge to excessive pastime, and from reasonable study to idle or noysome pleasures, he must needs when he cometh to more mature years, be a most prudent Prince, a most just Governour, and a right Judge, not only of his subjects commonly, but also of the ministers of his Laws, yea, and of the Laws themselves: and to be able to conceive the true equity and exact understanding of all his Laws and Statutes, to the comfort of his good subjects, and the confusion and reproach of them which labour to obscure or pervert the equity of the same Laws and Statutes. How some of these statutes may be applied to use, as well in this our time, as in any other time, I have peculiarly declared in this Book, and some other I have omitted for just considerations, till I may offer them first unto your Majesty to weigh them as to your Highnesse shall seem good: for many things in them are not to be published without your Highnesse knowledge and approbation; namely because in them is declared all the rates of alloyes for all standards from one ounce upward, with other mysteries of Mint matters, & also most part of the varieties of coyns that have been current in this your Majesties Realm by the space almost of six hundred years last past, and many of them that were current in the time that the Romans ruled here.

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All which with the ancient description of England and Ireland, and my simple censure of the same, I have almost compleated to be exhibited to your Highnesse : In the mean season most humbly beseeching your Majesty to accept this simple Treatise, not worthy to be presented to so high a Prince, but that my lowly request to your Majesty is, that this amongst other of my Bookes may passe under the protection of your Highnesse, whom I beseech God most earnestly and daily, according to my duty, to advance in all honor, and Princely Regality, and to increase in all knowledge, justice and godly policy, Amen.

Your Majesties most obedient  
subject and servant,

*Robert Record.*

To



# To the loving READERS

## The Preface of M<sup>r</sup> Robert Record.

**S**ore oft times have I lamented with my self the unfortunate condition of England, seeing so many great Clerks to arise in sundry other parts of the world, and so few to appear in this our Nation: whereas for pregnancy of naturall wit (I thinke) few Nations doe excelle Englishmen: But I cannot impute the cause to any other thing, then to the contempt, or misreguard of learning. For as Englishmen are inferior to no men in mother wit, so they passe all men in vain pleasures, to which they may attain with great pain and labour: and are slack to any never so great commodity, if there hang of it any painfull study, or travellsome labour.

Howbeit, yet all men are not of that sort, though the most part be, the more pity it is, but of them that are so glad, not onely with painfull study, and studious pain to attain learning, but also with as great study and pain to communicate their learning to others, & make all England (if it might be) partakers of the same; the most part are such that unneath they can support their own necessary charges, so that they are not able to beare any charges, in doing of that good that else they desire to do.

But a greater cause of lamentation is this that when learned men have taken pains to do things for the aid  
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of the unlearned, scarce they shall be allowed for their well doing, but derided and scorned, and so utterly discouraged to take in hand any like enterprize again. So that if any be found (as here are some) that doe favour learning and learned wits, and can be contented to further knowledge, yea onely with their word; such persons though they be rare, yet shall they encourage learned men to enterprize something at the least that England may rejoyce of. And I have good hope that England will (after she hath taken some sure taste of learning) not onely bring forth more favorers of it, but also such learned men, that she shall be able to compare with any Realm in the world. But in the mean season where so few regards of learning are, how greatly they are to be esteemed that doe favour and further it, my pen will not suffice at full to declare.

Therefore, gentile Reader, whereas I doe upon most just occasion judge, yea and know assuredly, that there be some men in this Realm, which both love and also much desire to further good learning, and am not well able to write their condign praise for the same, I think it better with silence to overpasse it, then either say too little of it, or provoke against them the malice of such other, which doe nothing themselves that is praiseworthy, and therefore cannot abide to heare the praise of any other mans good indeed.

And considering their great favour unto learning, though I my selfe be not worthy to be reckoned in the number of great learned men, yet am I bold to put my selfe in Presse, with such ability as God hath lent me, though not with so great cunning as many men, yet with as great affection as any man to helpe my country men, and will not cease daily, (as much as my small ability will

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will suffer me) to endite some such thing, that shall be to the instruction, though not of learned men, yet at the least of the vulgar sort, whose argument alwaies shall be such as it shall delight all learned wits though they doe not learne any great thing out of it.

But to speak of this present booke of Arithmetick, I dare not, nor will not set it forth with any words, but remit it to the judgement of all gentile Readers, and namely such as love good learning, beseeching them so to esteeme it, as it doth seem worthy. And so either to accept the thing for it selfe, either at the least to allow my good endeavour. But I perceive I need not use any persuasions unto them, whose gentile nature and favourable mind is ready to receive thankfully and interpret to the best of all such enterprises attempted for so good an end, though the thing do not alwayes satisfie mens expectation. This considered, did bolden me to publish abroad this little Booke of the Art of numbering, which if you shall receive favourably, you shall encourage me to gratifie you hereafter with some greater thing.

And as I judge some men of so loving a mind to their native Countrey, that they would much rejoyce to see it prosper in good learning, and witty Arts: so I hope well of all the rest of Englishmen, that they will not be unmindfull of his due praise, by whose means they are helped and further'd in any thing. Neither ought they to esteeme this thing of so little value, as many men of little discretion oftentimes doe. For who so setteth small price by the witty device and knowledge of numbering, he little considereth it to be the chief point, (in manner) whereby men differ from all brute beasts: for as in all other things (almost) beasts are partakers with us,

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*so in numbering we differ cleane from them, and in manner peculiarly, sith that in many things they excell us again.*

The Fox in crafty wit exceedeth most men,  
A Dog in smelling hath no man his peer.  
To foresight of weather if you look then,  
Many beasts excell men ; this is cleer.  
The wittinesse of Elephants doth letters attain,  
But what cunning doth there in the Bee remain ?  
The Emmet foreseeing the hardnesse of winter,  
Provideth victuals in the time of summer.  
The Nightingale, the Linet, the Thrush, the Lark,  
In Muscicall harmony passe many a Clark.  
The Hedghog of Astronimy seemeth to know,  
And stoppeth his cave where the wind will blow.  
The Spider in weaving such art doth show,  
No man can him mend, nor follow I trow.  
When a house will fall, the Mice right quick  
Flee thence before; can man doe the like ?

*Many things else of the wittinesse of Beasts and Birds might I here say, save that another time of them I intend to write, wherein they excell in manner all men as it is daily seen: but in number was there never beast found so cunning, that could know or discerne one thing from many, by daily experience you may well consider, when a Bitch hath many whelps, or a Hen many chickens: and likewise of other whatsoever they be, take from them all their young saving only one, and you shall perceive plainly that they miss none, though they will resist you in taking them away, and will seek them again if they may know where they be, but else they will*  
*never*

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never misse them truly; but take away that one that is left, and then will they cry and complain; and restore to them that one, then are they pleased again. So that of number, this may I justly say, it is the only thing almost that separateth man from beasts. He therefore that shall contemn number, declareth himselfe as brutish as a beast and unworthy to be counted in the Fellowship of men. But I trust there is no man so foul overseen, though many right smally doe it regard.

Therefore will I now stay to write against such, and return again to this my Book, which I have written in the form of a Dialogue, because I judge that to be the easiest way of instruction, when the Scholer may aske every doubt orderly, and the Master may answer to his question plainly.

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Author  
wrote in  
Dialogue  
wise.

Howbeit I think not the contrary, but as it is easier to make another mans worke then to make the like; so there will be some that will finde fault because I writ in a Dialogue: but as I conjecture those shall be such as do not, cannot, or will not perceive the reason of right teaching, and therefore are unmeet to be answered unto, for such men with no reason will be satisfied.

And if any man object, that other books have been written of Arithmetick already so sufficiently that I needed not now to put pen to the book, except I will condemn other mens writings: To them I answer, That as I condemn no mans diligence, so I know that no one man can satisfie every man: and therefore like as many doe esteeme greatly other bookes, so I doubt not but some will like this my booke above any other English Arithmetick hitherto written; and namely such as shall lack instructors, for whose sake I have so plainly set forth the Examples, as no booke that I have seen hath done hitherto

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herto: which thing shall be great ease to the rude Readers.

Therefore (gentile Reader) though this Booke can be but small aid to the learned sort, yet unto the simple ignorant (which needeth most helpe) it may be a good furtherance and mean unto knowledge.

And though unto the King his Majesty privately I doe it dedicate, yet I doubt not (such is his clemency) but that he can be content, yea, and much desirous, that all his loving Subjects shall take the use of it, and imploy the same to their most profit. Which thing if I perceiue that they thankfully doe, and receive with as good will as it was written, then will I shortly with no lesse kindnesse set forth such introductions into Geometry and Cosmography, as I have at times promised, and as hitherto in English hath not been enterprised, wherewith I dare say all honest hearts will be pleased, and all studious wits greatly delighted.

I will say no more, but let every man judge as he shall see cause. And thus for this time I will stay my Pen, committing you all to that true fountain of perfect number, which wrought the whole world by number and measure: he is Trinity in Unity, and Glory, Amen.

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 it were very good to have some understanding and knowledge of these  
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|------|-----|--------|-----|------|-----------------|
| j    | 1   | one    | xx  | 20   | twenty          |
| ii   | 2   | two    | xl  | 40   | fourty          |
| iii  | 3   | three  | l   | 50   | fifty           |
| iiii | 4   | four   | lx  | 60   | sixty           |
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| vii  | 7   | seven  | C   | 100  | a hundred       |
| viii | 8   | eight  | CC  | 200  | 2 hundred       |
| ix   | 9   | nine   | D   | 500  | 5 hundred       |
| x    | 10  | ten    | DC  | 600  | 6 hundred       |
| xi   | 11  | eleven | M   | 1000 | a thousand      |
| xii  | 12  | twelve | MD  | 1500 | a thou. 5 hund. |
| cc.  | &c. | &c.    | cc. | &c.  | &c.             |



A Dialogue between the Master and  
the Scholer: teaching the *Art* and use  
of *Arithmetick* with *Pen*.

The Scholar speaketh,

**S** I R, such is your authority in mine estimation, that I am content to consent to your saying, and to receive it as truth, though I see none other reason that doth lead me there unto: whereas else in mine owne conceit it appeareth but vaine, to bestow any time privately in learning of that thing that every Childe may and doth learne at all times and houres, when he doth any thing himselfe alone, and much more when he talketh or reasoneth with others.

M. No, this is the fashion and chance of all them that seek to defend their blinde ignorance, that when they think they have made strong reason for themselves, then have they proved quite contrary. For if numbring be so common (as you grant it to be) that no man can doe any thing alone, and much lesse talk or bargain with other, but he shall still have to doe with number: this proveth not number to be contemptible and vile, but rather right exel-

lent and of high reputation, sith it is the ground  
of all mens affairs, in that without it no tale can be  
told, no communication without it can be continu-  
ed, no bargaining without it can duly be ended,  
or no businesse that man hath justly compleated.  
These commodities if there were none other,  
are sufficient to approve the worthinesse of num-  
ber. But there are other innumerable, far passing  
all these, which declare number to exceed all praise.  
Wherefore in all great works are Clerks so much  
desired? Wherefore are Auditors so richly fed?  
What causeth Geometricians so highly to be in-  
haunced? Why are Astronomers so greatly advan-  
ced? Because that by number such things they finde,  
which else would far excell mans minde.

Scholar. Verily, Sir, if it be so, that these men  
by numbering, their cunning do attain, at whose  
great works most men doe wonder. then I see  
well I was much deceived, and numbring is a more  
cunning thing then I tooke it to be.

Master. If number were so vile a thing as you  
diseeme it, then need it not to be used so much  
in mens communication. Exclude number, and  
answer to this question: How many years old  
are you?

Scholar. Mum.

Master. How many dayes in a weeke? How  
many weekes in a yeare? What lands hath your  
Father? How many men doth hee keep? How  
long is it since you came from him to me?

Scholar. Mum.

Master. So that if number want, you answer  
all by mummies: How many miles to London?

Scholar.

Scholar. A peak full of plums.

Master. Why, thus you may see, what rule number beareth, and that if number be lacking it maketh men dumb, so that to most questions they must answer mum.

Scholar. This is the cause sir, that I iudged it so vile, because it is so common in talking ebery while: For plenty is not dainty, as the common saying is.

Master. No, nor store is no sore. perceiue you this? The more common that the thing is being needfully required, the better is the thing, and the more to be desired. But in numbering as some of it is light and plain, so the most part is difficult and not easie to attain. The easier part serbeth all men in common, and the other requireth some learning. Wherefore as without numbring a man can doe almost nothing, so with the help of it you may attaine to all things.

Scholar. Yes sir, why then it were best to learn the Art of numbring, first of all other learning, & then a man need learn no more if all other come with it.

M. Nay, not so: but if it be first learned, then shall a man be able (I mean) to learn, perceiue & attaine to other Sciences; which without it he could neuer get.

Scholar. I perceiue by your former words, that Astronomy and Geometry depend much on the help of numbring: but that other Sciences, as Musick, Physick, Law, Grammer, and such like, haue any help of Arithmetick, I perceiue not.

Master. I may perceiue your great Clerkliness by the ordering of your Sciences: but I will let that passe now, because it toucheth not the matter that

I intend, and I will shew you how Arithmetick doth profit in all these, somewhat grossly, according to your small understanding; omitting other reasons more substantiall.

Musick.

First (as you reckon them) musicke hath not onely great help of Arithmeticke, but is made, and hath its perfectnesse of it: for all musicke standeth by number & proportion: And in Physicke, besides the calculation of criticall dayes, with other things which I omit. how can any man judge the pulse rightly, that is ignorant of the proportion of numbers.

Physick.

Law.

And as for the Law, it is plain, that the man that is ignorant of Arithmeticke, is neither meet to be a Judge, neither an Advocate, nor yet a Proctor. For how can he well understand another mans cause, appertaining to distribution of goods, or other debts or of summes of money, if he be ignorant of Arithmetick? This oftentimes causeth right to bee hindred, when the Judge either delighteth not to heare of a matter that he perceiveth not, or cannot judge for lacke of understanding: this cometh by ignorance of Arithmeticke.

Grammer.

Now, as for Grammer, mee thinketh you should not doubt in what it needeth number, for you have learned that Nouns of all sorts, pronouns, Verbs and Participles are distinct diversly by numbers: besides the variety of Nouns of Number, and Adverbs. And if you take away number from Grammer, then is all the quantitie of Syllables lost. And many other wayes both number help Grammer. Whereby were all kindes of Poeters sound and made? was it not by number?

But



But how needfull Arithmetick is to all parts of Philosophy, they may soon see, that doe reade either Aristotle, Plato, or any other Philosophers writings, For all their examples almost, and their probations depend of Arithmetick. It is the saying of Aristotle, that hee that is ignorant of Arithmetick, is meet for no Science. And Plato his Master wrote a little sentence over his School-house doore, Let none enter in hither (quoth he) that is ignorant of Geometry. Seeing hee would have all his Scholars expert in Geometry, much rather hee would have the same in Arithmetick, without which Geometry cannot stand.

Philosophy.

And how needfull Arithmetick is to Divinity, it appeareth, seeing so many Doctors gather so great mysteries out of number, and so much do write of it. And if I should go about to write all the commodities of Arithmetick in civill acts, as in governance of Common-weales in time of peace, and in due provision and order of Armies in time of war, for numbering of the Host, summing of their wages, provision of Victuals, viewing of Artillerie, with other Armour; beside the cunningest point of all, for casting of ground, for encamping of men, with such other like: And how many waies also Arithmetick is conductible for all private Weales, of Lords and all Possessioners, of Merchants, and all other occupiers, and generally for all estates of men, besides Auditors, Treasurers, Receivers, Stewards, Bailiffes, and such like, whose Offices without Arithmetick are nothing: If I should (I say) particularly repeat all such commodities of the noble Science of Arithmetick, it were enough

Divinity.

Armie.

enough to make a verie great booke,

Scholar. No, no, sir, you shall not need : For I doubt not but this, that you have said, were enough to perswade any man to think this Art to be right excellent and good : and so necessary for man, that (as I thinke now) so much as a man lacketh of it, so much he lacketh of his sense and wit.

Master. What, are you so farre changed since, by hearing these few commodities in generall ? by likelihood you would be farre changed if you knew all the particular Commodities,

Scholar. I beseech you Sir, reserve those Commodities that rest yet behinde unto their place moze convenient : and if ye will be so good as to utter at this time this excellent treasure, so that I may be somewhat enriched thereby, if ever I shall be able, I will requite your pain.

Master. I am very glad of your request, and will doe it speedily, sith that to learn it you be so ready.

The duty  
of a Scho-  
lar.

Scholar. And I to your authoritie my wit doe sabbue, whatsoever you say, I take it for true.

Perseve-  
rance in  
Study.

Master. What is too much, and meet for no man to be believed in all things, without shewing of reason. Though I might of my Scholar some credence require, yet except I shew reason, I doe it not desire. But now sith you are so earnestly set this Art to attaine, best it is to omit no time, lest some other passion coole this great heat, and then you leave off befoze you see the end.

Scholar. Though many there be so unconstant of mind, that flitter and turn with every winde, which often begin, and never come to the end, I am  
none

none of this sort as I trust you part'y know. For by my good will what I once begin, till I have it fully ended, I would never blin.

Master. So have I found you hitherto indeed, and I trust you will increase rather, then goe backe. For better it were never to assay, then to swinke and fly in the mid way: But I trust you will not doe so; therefore tell me briefly: What call you the Science that you desire so greatly.

Scholar. Why sir, you know.

Master. That maketh no matter, I would heare whether you know, and therefore I aske you. For great rebuke it were to have studied a Science, and yet cannot tell how it is named.

Scholar. Some call it Arismetrick, and some Augrime.

Master. And what doe these names betoken?

S. That if it please you, of you would I learn.

Master. Both names are corruptly written: Arismetrick. Arismetrick for Arithmeticke, as the Greeks call it, and Augrime for Algorisme, as the Arabians sound it: which doth betoken the Science of Numbring: for Arithmos in Greeke is called Number: and of it commeth Arihmeticke, the Art of Numbering: So that Arichmeticke is a Science or Art teaching the manner and use of Numbering: This Art may bee wrought diversly, with Pen, or with Counters. But I will first shew you the working with the pen, and then the other in order.

Scholar. This will I remember. But how many things are to bee learned to attaine this Art fully?

Master. There are reckoned commonly seven parts or works of it.

[ Numeration,

## 8 The Commodities of Arithmetick.

Numeration, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division, Progreſſion, and Extraction, of roots: to theſe ſome men adde Duplation, Triplation, and Mediation. But as for theſe three laſt they are contained under the other ſeven. For Duplation, and Triplation are contained under Multiplication, as it ſhall appeare in their place: And Mediation is contained under Diuiſion, as I will declare in his place alſo.

Scholar. Yet then there remain the firſt ſeven kinds of Numbering.

5 parts  
Maſter. So there doth: howbeit if I ſhall ſpeake exactly of the parts of Numbering, I muſt make but ſixe of them: for Progreſſion is a compound Operation of Addition, Multiplication and Diuiſion. And ſo is the Extractions of roots. But it is no harme to name them as kinds ſeverall, ſeing they appeare to have ſome ſeverall working. For it ſeeth not ſo much to contend for the number of them, as for the due knowledge and practiſing of them.

Scholar. When you will that I ſhall name them, as ſeven kindes diſtinct: But now I deſire you to inſtruct me in the uſe of each of them.

Maſter. So I will, but it muſt be done in order: for you may not learn the laſt ſo ſoon as the firſt, but you muſt learne them in that order, as I did rehearſe them, if you will learne them ſpeedily and well.

Scholar. Even as you pleaſe. Then to begin: Numeration is the firſt in order, what ſhall I doe with it?

Maſter.

Master. First, you must know what the thing is, and then after learn the use of the same,

## Numeration.



**N**umeration is that Arithmetick skill, whereby we may duly value, expresse, and read any Number or Summe propounded: or else in any Figures and Places set downe any Number known or named.

Scholar. Why? then me thinketh you put a difference betwixen the Value and the Figures.

Master. Yea so doe I. For the Value is one thing, and the Figures are another thing, and that cometh partly by the diversity of Figures, but chiefly in the places wherein they be set.

Scholar. Then must I know here 3 things, the Value, the Figure, and the Place.

Master. Even so. But yet add Order to them as the fourth. And first mark, that there are but tenne Figures that are used in Arithmetick; and of those tenne, one doth signifie nothing, which is made like an o, and is privately called a Cypher, <sup>A Cypher.</sup> though all the other sometime be likewise named, The other nine are called signifying Figures, and be thus figured.

Figures.

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.

And this is their value.

i. ii. iii. iiii. v. vi. vii. viii. ix.

But here you must mark, that every Figure hath two values: One alwayes certain, that it signifieth properly, which it hath of his forme; and the other uncertain, which he taketh of his place.

A place.



A place is called the seate or roome that a Figure standeth in. And looke how many Figures are written in one summe, so many places hath that whole number. And that must be called the first place, that is next to the right hand, and so reckoning by order towards the left hand, so that that place is last that is next to the left hand. As for example. If there stood before you six men in a row, side by side, and you should tell them as they stand in order, beginning with the man that were next to your right hand; then he that were next him should be called your second, and so forth to the furthest from your right hand, which is the sixth and the last.

Scholar. I perceiue you well: so might I reckon Letters or any other thing. As if I should write 8 Letters after this order, a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h. then must I say, h, is the first, g, the second, f, the third, e, the fourth, d, the fifth, c, the sixth, b, the seventh, a, the eight.

Master



Master. That is well done. And after the same sort use hereafter, that what I declare by one example, do you expresse by another : and so shall I perceiue whether you understand it or no. And so passe over nothing, till you perceiue it well, and be expert therein.

Schol. I pray you how many of these places be there in all ?

Master. There is no certain number of them, but they are sometimes more, and sometimes fewer, according to the sum that is expresseed. For so many as the figures are, so many are the places : and the last place is so called, not because it is the last of all other, but it is the last of that present summe, and it may bee the middle place in another summe.

Scholar. It seemeth I perceiue this very well, as touching the order of reckoning of the places : but as for the number of them, you say there is no certainty. Now there resteth to declare the value of the figures by the diversity of places, which you called the value uncertain.

Value uncertain.

Master. But first let me hear whether you know perfectly the certain value.

Value certain.

Scholar. Yes sir, as you wrote them, so I marked them.

Master. How write you then five ?

Scholar. By this figure 5.

Master. And how six ?

Scholar. Thus 6.

Master. Write these three numbers, each by itself, as I speake them, vii, iiii, iii.

Scholar. 7. 4. 3.

Master. How write you these foure other, ii. i. ix. viii.

Scholar. Thus (I trow) 2. 1. 6. 8.

Master. Pay there you misse : loke on mine example again.

Scholar. Sir true it is, I was to blame, I take 6 for 9, but I will beware hereafter.

Master. Now then take heed those certain values every figure representeth when it is alone written without other figures joynd to him. And also when it is in the first place, though many other doe follow : as for example, this figure 9 is ix, standing now alone.

Scholar. How is he alone, and standeth in the middle of so many letters ?

Master. The letters are none of his fellows. For if you were in France in the middle of a thousand Frenchmen. if there were no English man with you, you would reckon your self to be alone.

Scholar. So it is. When 9 without more figures of Arithmetick betokeneth ix. whatsoever other letters be about it.

Master. Even so, and so doth it, if it be in the first place joynd with other, how many soever do follow, as in this example. 3679. You see 9 in the first place, and doth betoken nine as it were alone.

Scholar. I perceiue that, and doth not 7 that standeth in the second place (between 9 and 6 in the third place) betoken vii. and so 3 in the fourth place betoken three ?

Master. Their figures be as you have said, but their values are not so. For as in the first place every figure betokeneth his own value certain onely, so  
in

In the second place every figure betokeneth his own value certain tenne times: as in the example, 7 in the second place is seven times ten, and is lxx. And in the third place, every Figure betokeneth his own value an hundred times, so the 6 in that place betokeneth vi C. and in the fourth place every figure betokeneth his owne value a M. times, as in the aforesaid number 3 in the fourth place standeth for 3 M. and in the fifth place every figure standeth for his own value x M. times, and in the sixth place a C M. times, and in the seventh place a M M. times, and in the eighth place x M M, so that every place exceedeth the former ten times.

Scholar. As thus: if I make this number at all adventures, 91359684. here are eight places. A generall Rule. In the first place is 4 and betokeneth but foure: in the second place is 8 and betokeneth ten times 8 that is 80, in the third place is 6 and betokeneth six hundred: in the fourth place 9 is nine thousand, and 5 in the fifth place is x M times 5, that is fifty M. So 3 in the sixth place is a C M times 3 that is CCC M. Then 1 in the seventh place, one M M, and 9 in the eighth place, ten thousand thousand times 9. that is xc M M. But now I cannot easily nor quickly read it in order.

Master. That shall you practise by this meanes. First, put a pricke over the fourth figure, and so over the seventh. And (if you have so many) over the tenth, thirteenth, sixteenth, and so forth, still leaving two figures between each two prickes. And those two roomes between the prickes are called Ternaries.

Then begin at the last pricke, and see how many figures

figures are between him and the end, which cannot passe three, reckoning himselfe for one: then pronounce them as if they were written alone from the rest, and at the end of their value, so many times thousands as your numbers have prick.

After that come to the next three figures, and sound them as if they were apart from the rest, and adde to their value so many times thousands, as there are prickes between them, and the first place of your whole number. And so do by every other three figures following, if you have more. As in example, 91359684 this was your number.

Put a prick over 9 in the fourth place, and over 1 in the seventh place, and then no more (for your places come not to ten) as thus: 91359684.

Now go to the last prick over 1, and take it and the figure 9 that followeth it, & value them alone.

Scholar. 91, that is xci.

Master. So it is, then adde for the number of your prickes twice M.

Scholar. that is, xci. thousand thousand.

Master. So it is. Then take the three other figures from one to the next Prick, and value them.

Scholar. 359, that is, CCC. lix.

Master. Now adde for the one prick, that is between them and the first place, M.

Scholar. CCC. lix. thousand.


Master. Then come to the other 3 figures that remain.

Schol. 684, that is, vi C. lxxxiif.

Master. Now have you valued all. And at the end of the last number you shall adde nothing, because there remaineth no pricke nor number after it,

it, yet prove it in another number, as thus,  
230864089105340.

Schol: 230864089105340. I have pricked them as you taught me, but I am in doubt whether I have done well or no, because of the Cyphers, for I remember you told me that they do signifie nothing, and therefore I doubt whether I should reckon them for a Figure in setting of the pricks; and againe, I know not wherefore they serve.

Master. That will I tell you now. Indeed they are of no value themselves, but they serve to make up the number of places, and so make the Figure following them to be in a farther place, and therefore to signifie the more value: as in this example,  The use of Cyphers.  
90 the Cypher is of no value, but yet he occupieth the first place, and causeth 9 to be in the second place, and so to signifie ten times 9, that is xc. so that two Cyphers thrust the Figure following them into the third place, and so forth.

Scholar. When I perceive in the example above, I have pricked well enough, for though that Cypher that is pricked signifies nothing, yet must he have the prick, because he came in the thirtieth place. When will I prove to number that summe. First, there is 230, P, P, P, P, and then followeth 864, P, P, P. And what shall I now do? There is a Cypher in the third place, and no Figure after him, but they that I have reckoned.

Master. He did serve for them that you have already reckoned, to make them in a place further then they should be, if he were away, and therefore now ye shall let him goe. And so doe alwayes when he occupieth that place next before any



pricke, which is the last of that Ternary, and a Cypher in the last place doth nothing.

Scholar. Then shall I say but 89, 9, 9.

Master. So, but go forth.

Scholar. 105 thousand. Now are all my pricks spent, and yet remain 340, so that I must value them, CCC. xl onely.

Trinity. Master. Now can you reckon after this sort : and remember that every such room, so parted, is called a Ternary, or Trinity, for you have numbrd or valued the summe most truly and by the aid of the prickes each denomination is distinct most plainly.

Denomination.

Scholar. What call you Denomination ?

Master. It is the last value or name added to any summe. As when I say, an hundred two and twenty pounds : Pounds is the Denomination. And likewise in saying, 25 men : Men is the Denomination, and so of other : But in this place (that I spake of before) the last number of every Ternary, is the Denomination of it. As for the first Ternary, the Denomination is Vnites, & of the second Ternary, the Denomination is thousands, & of the third Ternary, thousand thousands, or Millions ; of the fourth, thousand thousand thousands or thousand millions : & so forth.

Scholar. And what shall I call the value of the three figures that may bee pronounced before the Denomination, as in saying, 203000000. that is, two hundred three millions : I perceiue by your words, that millions is the Denomination : but what shall I call CCC. joined before the millions ?

Numeration.  
for.  
Summe or  
value.

Master. That is called the Numerator, or Valuer, and the whole summe that resulteth of them both, is called the Summe, Value or Number.

Scholar.



Scholar. How is there any thing else to be learned in Numeration? or else have I learned it fully?

Master. I might shew you here who were the first Inventors of this Art, and the reason of all these things that I have taught you, but that I will reserve till ye have learned over all the practise of this Art, lest I should trouble you with over many things at the first.

Three  
kinds of  
numbers.  
Digits.

But yet this you must mark, that there are three kinds of Numbers, one called Digits, another Articles, and the third mixt numbers.

A Digit is any number under ten, as these :  
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.

Articles.

And 10 with all other that may be divided into ten parts just, & nothing remain, are called articles, such as are 10. 20. 30. 40. 50. &c. 100. 200. &c. 1000. &c.

And that number is called mixt, that containeth articles, or at the least one article, and a Digit, as 12. 16. 19. 21. 38. 107. 1005. & so forth & for the more ease of understanding & remembrance, mark this. The Digit number is never written with more then one figure, but the article and the mixt number are ever written with more then one figure. And thus they differ, that the article hath evermore this Cypher 0 in the first place: and the mixt number hath ever there some Digit.

Scholar. By these last words I perceive it much better then I did before, and now (I think) I will never misse to know those three asunder.

Master. If you remember now all that I have said, you have learned sufficiently this first kind of Arithmeticke called Numeration. Howbeit I will exhort you now to remember both this that I have

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said, and all that I shall say, and to exercise your self in the practise of it; for rules without practise, are but a light knowledge, and practise it is that maketh men perfect and prompt in all things.

And as you have learned to gather and expresse the value of a summe propounded and set downe before you, so must you practise to marke, note, and write down with apt figures and in due places, any number onely named, or rected to you, or if your self imagined; as for a proof. How note you, or write downe this summe, five thousand two hundred fiftie and seven?

S. This troubleth me now, whether I should begin at the first, or at the last. For reason (me thinketh) should cause me to begin at the first, & yet if I write it as you speake it, I must begin at the last.

Master, When you know your places perfectly, you may begin where you list; but the more ease for your hand is to beginne with the last, that is to say, as I did speak them, yet for the more surety, a while you may begin at the first, repeating my words backward thus: seven, fiftie, two hundred, five thousand: or else sounding them all by their digit or value, as thus: seven, five, two, five; for that way is easiest: But then must you look well whether there be any cypher in your summe, that he may be set in his place: as if the last valuer of your summe (as you speak it) be above 9, then is there a cypher in the first place. And if it be an hundred, or above, then is there two cyphers, one in the first place, and another in the second, and so forth.

But because this thing is such that cannot be set forth without many words; I think best here now

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at the end of Numeration, to adde a Table easie and ready for the first exercise of it.

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expresse any Number that you list. If that it exceed not eleven places) that is to say,  $\text{M.C.}$  thousand Millions, and so may you by help of it, value all summes proposed under the said number.

For example: take the summe that I proposed befoze which was five thousand two hundred fifty and seven. And if you will expresse it, take the first number (as I speak it) which is five  $\text{M}$ , whose valuer of certain value is  $\text{v}$ , and his uncertaين value, of Denomination is  $\text{M}$ . First, you shall seek at the right hand of the valuer  $\text{v}$ . Then seek along under the title of Denomination toward the left hand till you finde thousands, and under it, right at the foot of the Table, is the number of the place, that is in the fourth, wherein you must write your Digit, of valuer  $\text{v}$ .

Afterward come to the second part of the number two hundred, whose valuer is  $\text{2}$ , and his Denomination  $\text{C}$ . Seek two at the right hand of the Table, and go along under the Denomination toward the left hand, till you come under  $\text{C}$ . then look to the foot of the Table, and there you shall see the number of the place, that is to say, the third, wherein you must set your Digit  $\text{2}$ .

Then do so by your other two numbers that remain, and you shall finde  $\text{5}$  in the second place for your fifty, and  $\text{7}$  in the first place for your seven. And thus you may do with other numbers.

Scholar. *Master*, I thank you heartily. I perceive you seek to instruct me most plainly and briefly, and not to hide your knowledge with subtle words, as many do. For this rule is so plain, that I can desire it no plainer. And though it seem somewhat

what long, yet I perceiue it to be a sure way.

Master. So it is, and though it be long, yet it is neither too long, neither too plaine for young learners that lack practise : for this Table is in stead of a Teacher to them that lack one. But now I trust I haue said enough of Numeration : which after you haue well practised, then may you learn forth.

Scholar. Yet I pray you in one thing to tell me your judgement. Why do men reckon the order of the places backward, from the right hand to the left ?

Why numbers are written backwards;

Master. In that thing all men doe agree that the Chaldees, which first invented this Art, did set these Figures as they set all their Letters, for they write backward, as you terme it, and so do they read. And that may appear in all Hebrew, Chaldee and Arabick Books ; for they be not onely written from the right hand to the left, and so must be read, but also the right end of the book is the beginning of it, whereas the Greeks, Latins, and all Nations of Europe, doe write and reade from the left hand toward the right : and all their Books beginne at the left side.

Scholar. What reason hath satisfied me.

Master. It neither satisfieth me, neither liketh me well, because I see that the Chaldees and Hebrewes doe not so use their own Numbers, as at another time I will declare. But this plain reason may best satisfie you presently, that seeing in pronouncing of Numbers wee keep the order of our own reading, from the left hand to the right : and again, wee doe euer name the greater numbers before



before the smaller : It was reason that the lesser places, containing the lesser numbers, should be set on the right hand, and the greater places containing the greater Numbers to proceed toward the left hand.

Scholar. This reason is to me so plain, that it seemeth now against reason to make a doubt of that order. So that now for Numeration I am satisfied : hoping that practise shall make me fully ready and expert in it. And in the mean season I desire to learn the other kinds of Arithmetick.

Master. That is well said : but what should you next learn ? can you tell ?

Scholar. I remember you said, that Addition was next.

Master. Even so, and what that is, must you first know.

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Addition.



*Addition is the gathering together and bringing of two numbers, or more into one summe. As if I have 106 Books in the Latine tongue, and 136 in the Greeke tongue, and would know how many they be in all, I must write these two numbers one over another, writing the greatest number highest, so that the first figure of the one being under the first figure of the other, and the second under the second, and so forth in order.*

When you have so done, draw under them a right line, then will they stand thus.  
Now begin at the first places toward  
the right hand allwaies, and put toge-

106

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ther the two first figures of these two numbers,  
and loke what cometh of them write  
under them, right under the line.

As in saying 6 and 0 is 6, write 6  
under 6, as thus :

160

136

6

And then go to the second figures, and doe like-  
wise : as saying 3 and 6 is 9,  
write 9 under 6 and 3, as here you  
see.

160

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And likewise doe you with the figures that be in  
the third place, saying, 1 and 1 be 2,  
write 2 under them, and then will  
your whole summe appear thus :

160

136

296

So that now you see that 160, and 136, doe make  
in all 296.

Scholar. What ? this is very easie to see, me  
thinketh I can do it even since.

There came through Cheapside two droves of  
Cattell : in the first was 848 sheep, and in the se-  
cond was 186 other Beasts.

Those two summs I must write as you taught  
me, thus : When if I put the two first Fi-  
gures together, saying, 6 and 8, they make  
14. What must I write under 6 and 8, thus :

848


186


14

Master. Not so: and here you are twice deceived.  
First in going about to adde together two summes  
of sundry things, which you ought not to doe except  
you seek onely the number of them, and care not for  
the things : For the summe that should result to  
that Addition, should be a summe neither of sheep nor  
of other beasts, but a confused summe of both. How-  
beit sometimes ye shall have summes of divers De-  
nominations to be added, of which I will tell you  
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anon : but first I will shew you where you were deceived in another point, and that was in writing 14, which came of 6 and 8 under 6 and 8, which is impossible: for how can two figures of two places be written under one figure and one place?

Scholar. Truth it is, but yet I do so understand you,

 Master. I said indeed, that you should write that under them that did result of them both together: which saying is alwayes true, if that summe doe not exceed a Digit: But if it be a mixt number, then must you write the Digit of it under your figures, as you have said before: and if it be an Article, then write 0 under them, and in both sorts you shall keep the Article in your minde; and therefore when you have added your second Figures, which occupy the place of tens, you shall put that one thereto, which you kept in your minde; for though it were ten indeed, yet in that place it is but as one, because that every one of that place is tenne, for that it is the place of tens. And in like manner, if you have in the second place so great a number that it amounteth above 9, then write the Digit, & reserve the Article in your minde ever adding it to the next place following, and so of all other places, how many soever you have. And if you have a mixt number when you have added your last Figures, then write the Digit under the last Figures, and the Article in the next place beyond them: so shall your number resulting of Addition, have one place more then the numbers which you shall add together.

 A place.

Scholar. Now do I perceive you, and the reason of this is, (as I understand) because that no  
one

one place can contain aboue 9, which is the greatest Figure that is, and then all tens or Articles must be put to the next place following: for every place (as I may see) receiveth the other place next before him by 10.

Now, if it please you, I will return to my example of Cartell. But I remember you said I might not adde summes of sundry things together, and that I may see by reason.

Master. Truth it is, if you seek the due summe of any thing, but if you only seek a bare summe, and have no respect to the thing, then were it better to name the summe onely without any thing: as in saying 848 wit out naming sheep or any thing else. And likewise 186, naming nothing.

Now let me see how you can adde those two summes.

Scholar. I must first set them so that the two first figures stand one over another, and the other each one over his fellows of the same place; then shall I draw a line under them both. And so likewise of other figures, setting alwayes the greatest number highest, thus as followeth.

When must I adde 6 to 8, which make 14, that is a mixt number, therefore must I take the digit which is 4, and write it under 6, and 8, keeping the Article 1 in my minde thus:

Next that, I doe come to the second figures, adding them together, saying, 8 and 4 make 12, so the which I put the one reserved in my minde, and that maketh 13, of which number I write the Digit 3 under 8 and 4, and keep the Article in my minde, thus:

Then come I to the third figures, saying, 1

848

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4

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34

and

and 8 make 9, and 1 in my mind maketh 10. Sir, shall I write the Cypher under 1 and 8?

Master. Yea.

Scholar. When of 10 I write the Cypher under 1 and 8, and keep the Article in my mind.

Master. What needeth that, seeing there follow no more figures?

Scholar. Sir, I had forgotten, but I will remember better hereafter. When seeing I am come to the last Figures I must write the Cypher 848 under them, and the Article in a further place 186 after the Cypher thus:

1034

Master. So now you see, that of 848, and 186 added together, there amounteth 1034.

Scholar. Now I thinke I am perfect in Addition.

Master. What will I prove by this example, There are two Armies of Souldiers: in the one are 106800, and in the other 9400. How many are there in both Armies say you?

Scholar. First, I set them one over another, beginning with the first number on the right hand, thus:

106800

9400

But the nether number will not match the over number.

Master. What forceth not.

Scholar. When do I adde 0 to 0, and there amounteth 0, that must I write under the first place thus:

106800

9400

0

Master. Well said.

Scholar. When likewise in the second place I adde 0 to 0, there ariseth 0, which I write under the second place thus:

106800

9400

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Then

When I come to the third place, saying,  
 4 and 8 make 12, of which I write the 106800  
 Digit 2, and keep the Article 1 in my mind, 9400  
 thus: 200

When I adde 9 to 6, which make 15,  
 to that I adde the Article 1 that was in 106800  
 my minde, and it is 16, I write 6 under 6 9400  
 and 9, and keep 1 in mind, thus: 6200

Master. Why doe you not write both figures,  
 seeing you are come to the last couple of numbers.

Scholar. Say, reason sheweth me, that I must  
 adde that Article that is in my mind unto the next  
 Figure of the ober summe, though there be no more  
 in the nether summe.

Master. That is well considered: then do so.

Scholar. When say I, 0 in the ober summe, and 1  
 in my minde maketh 1: that write I under 0.  
 When followeth there yet one more in the ober  
 summe, which hath none to be added to it, for there  
 is none in the nether summe, nor yet in my mind:  
 therefore I thinke I must write that even as it is.

Master. Wea.

Scholar. When doth my whole summe appear  
 thus: 106800

Master. If you mark this you have 9400  
 learned perfectly the common Addition 116200

of all summes which are of one Deno-  
 mination: so that ye observe this also, that in Ad-  
 dition you must have two numbers at the least: or  
 else how can you say that you doe adde? And ever  
 let the greatest number be written highest, for that  
 is the best way; though it be not necessary.

And forget not this, that (if you have many numbers



to adde together) you shall haue oftentimes an Article of a greater value then 10, sometimes 20, sometimes 30, sometimes more, yea (peradventure) 100. Therefore as you did with the Article 10, so do with them, reseruing them in your minde, and adding to the number next following so many, as their valuer or value certain is: that is to say, 2 for 20, 3 for 30, 5 for 50, 10 for 100, 12 for 120, and so forth of other like. So that if the Article be 130, then must you set down the 0 and keep 10 in minde, to be carried to the next row of Figures or place, if any such happen to come. For your better understanding take this example for all.

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| I would adde these thirteen summes into one, which I set after this manner: then doe I beginne and gather the summe of the first row of figures, which come to 107, (for I take 9 there tenne times, and that is 90) then 9 and 8 is 17, that is in all 107, of which summe I write the 7 under the first row of Figures, and then for that 100 is tenne tennes, I keepe tenne in mind, which tenne I must adde unto the next row of Figures, which are in the second place: | 4889<br>4599<br>2190<br>3699<br>2299<br>4099<br>1099<br>3298<br>299<br>699<br>499<br>899<br>389 |
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which second row of figures (when they are added together with that tenne that I had in my minde) make in all 125, of which summe write the Digit 5 under the second row, and then (for that 120 containeth twelue tennes) I keep twelue in minde to be added to the third place or row of figures; which being added together, make in all 60, the Cypher 0 I set down under the row of figures in the third place:

And



And the Figure 6 I keep in minde to be added to the row of Figures in the fourth place, which (when they were added together) make 29. The Figure of Digit 9 I set downe under the fourth place. And because it is my last worke, I set downe the 2 also that I have in my minde to the 9 in the fifth place; so these summes doe make in all 29057.

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¶ But (for your more ease in worke) when you have an Addition of so many summes to be added together, you were best part that summe into two or three parts, and worke them severally, and so put their Additions together, and this were the best thing you could doe when over many summes fall to be added.

3699

2299

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Scholar. This seemeth somewhat hard, by the reason of so many numbers together.

899

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29057

Howbest, I thinke (if I do often prove, even with the same example, either by working of it alone, or else by parting it as you said even now) that I shall be able to do so shortly with any other summe.

Master. So shall you. For it is often practice that maketh a man quick and ripe in all things: but because, as well in great summes as in small there may chance to be some error, I will teach you how you shall prove whether you have done well or no.

Scholar. That were a great help and ease.

Master. Begin first with the highest number, The proof and then to all the other orderly, and adde them of Addition together, not having regard to their places, but as

though they were all Nines : and still (as your number encreaseeth above 9) cast away 9. When go forth, ever casting away 9 as often as it amounteth thereto : and so doe till you have gone over all the numbers that you intended first to adde ; and whatsoever remaineth after such Addition and casting away of 9, write it in some bold place by the end of a line, for the better remembrance : and thus is the first place of your worke proved. Then secondly, put together the Figures that result of the Addition under the line, still casting away 9 also. And then that that remaineth write at the other end of the line ; and if those two Figures be like, than have you well done, but if they be unlike, then have you missed. As for example, in this present summe. The first Figure of the ober line is 9, let him goe, then 8 and 8 is 16, take away 9, there resteth 7, and adde that 7 to 4 that followeth, and it maketh 11 from which if you take 9, there resteth 2. Then come to the next row, whose first and second numbers are 9, therefore overpasse them both, and take the 5 to the 2 which did remain in the first row, that maketh 7, put thereto the 4 following, and that maketh 11, thence take 9, and there remaineth 2. Pert unto that, goe to the third line, whose two first numbers you may let passe, because they are nines : then take the two Figures of 2, which (with the other two that remained, in the second row) make 6. Then goe to the fourth row, whose two first numbers let goe, and take the 6 to the 6 that remaineth, and that maketh 12 : take away 9, and there resteth 3, which with the 3 that is next, maketh 6. And so goe through all the  
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other numbers, and you shall finde that there remaineth 5, after you have cast away 9, as often as you can finde it : therefore write 5, at the end of the line in a void place thus :

5 —————

Then gather all the Figures of the Totall summe, which is under the lowest line, and cast away 9 as often as you can find it ; as thus, 7 and 5 make 12, take away 9, there resteth 3. to that if you adde the 2 that is last, (so, you may omit the 9) then doth it make 5, which 5 you must write at the other end of the line that you made in the void place, thus :

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And then you see that these two Figures be like, whereby you may know that you have done wel', and so you may prove in any other.

Scholar. (If it please you) I will prove in another summe.

Master. With a good will.

Schol. Then will I take one of your former examples, which was this.

First in the highest line 8 and 6 make 14, then 9 taken away, there remains 5, to which I adde the 1 that followeth, and that maketh 6: then come I to the second line, where I finde first 4, which with 6 maketh 10, from that I take 9, and there resteth one, the next Figure is 9, and therefore I let him alone, so finde I 1 remaining, which I set at the end of a line, thus :

1 —————

Then I come to the Totall summe, and there I finde

finde that all the Figures put together make 10, from which I take 9, and there resteth 1 also, which I put at the other end of the line, thus:

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And because they be like, I know that I have well added.

Addition  
of num-  
bers of di-  
vers Deno-  
minations.

Master. So you know now both how to adde two summes or more together, and also how to prove whether you have done well or no: and now I will teach you how to adde summes of divers Denominations together: which thing can never be but when the one Denomination is such that it containeth the other certayne times. And yet you shall adde them to the other, not after this sort (as you did them that were of one Denomination) but after such a sort as I will now shew you, that is to say:

If you have a summe of divers Denominations, then looke that you set every Denomination by himselfe, with some note or figure of his Denomination, as they are wont to be written. Then write your other summes so under that first, that every one bee set under the other of the same Denominations: As for Example, if your Denominations be pounds, shillings, and pence, write pounds under pounds, shillings under shillings, and pence under pence: and not shillings under pence, nor pence under pounds.

Scholar. Now that you have spoken it, me thinketh it needeth not to warn me of it, for it were against reason so to confound summes: but yet if you had not spoken of it, peradventure I should have been deceived in it.

Master. If you doe say it is plain, I will speak  
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no more of it, but with an example make the matter to appear evidently.

First, one man oweth me 2 l. 6 s. 8 d. another oweth me 5 l. 16 s. 6 d. and another oweth me 4 l. 3 s. I would know what this is all together : Therefore must I first set down

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| 22  | 6  | 8  |
| 5   | 16 | 6  |
| 4   | 3  | 0  |

my great summe, and then the other, every one under his Denomination agreeing to the greatest summe, as here you see with a line under them.

Then must I begin at the smallest numbers (which must alwayes be set next to the right) and adde them together : and if the summe will make 1 02 2 02 3 of the next Denomination, then must I keep it in my minde till I come to that place, and under that first place must I note the residue (if there remain any of the same Denomination) but if there remaine none, then need I to write under it nothing. And this is all that you must marke in this Addition : for all other things are like to the manner of Addition before mentioned : Therefore the chiefeest point of this Addition is, to know the values of common Coines, and rated summes, As how many shillings be in a pound, how many pence in a shilling, of which (and of other like things) I will instruct you hereafter in teaching of Reduction : But now I may not disturbe your wit from the thing that we are about.

Therefore let us returne to that former example which I purposed of the Debtors : which summes when I had set orderly, they stand thus with a line under them,



Then to adde them into one summe, I must begin at the right hand where the smallest Denomination is, and adde them together, first saying, 6 and 8 make 14. Now seeing these 14 are pence, which contain one Shilling and 2 li. s. d. pence: the 2 pence I set down under the line of pence, and the one Shilling I keep in my minde to carry to the next row being the place of Shillings.

Then doe I adde the Shillings together, saying, 1 in my minde and 3 make 4, and 6 make 10, and 6 make 16, and 1 in the second place which standeth for 10, make 26, which is 1 li: s. d. pound 6 s. The 6 s, I set down under the place of Shillings, as appeareth in the example. And the 1 pound I keep to carry to the pounds.

Then come I to the pounds, adding them all together, saying, 1 that I keep and 4 make 5, and 5 make 10, and 2 make 12. The Figure or Digit 2 I set downe right under that place or row of pounds where I gather them, and the Article 1 I keep to carry to the next place, li. s. d. saying, 1 in my minde 2 is 3, which 3 I set downe directly under the 2. And then appeareth my whole summe thus.

And thus must you doe with any such like summes whatsoever, whether they be money, weight or measure, which (if you practise others summes)

you



you shall be well acquainted with the feat of Addition.

But now can you tell how to prove this Addition, or such other like of Divers Denominations, and to try whether you have well done or no?

Scholar. I would I could.

Master. What shall you doe by this means : Proof of Addition of divers Denominations.  
 You must make a Crosse which shall have as many lines as you have sundry Denominations in your Addition :

As if you have but two Denominations then you may take it thus : that the ober part and nether part may serbe for one Denomination. And

if you have thre Denominations (as pounds, shillings, and pence) then must you make thre lines, thus : The upright line may serbe for pounds, and the highest thwart line for shillings, and the lowest for pence : as for example, the summe which we last wrought.

| li. | s. | d. |   |   |
|-----|----|----|---|---|
| 22  | 6  | 8  | 6 | 5 |
| 5   | 16 | 6  |   |   |
| 4   | 3  | 0  |   |   |
|     |    |    | 2 | 5 |

For the proof of which, because it containeth 3 Denominations, I must make a crosse of 3 lines, as in the example before. When I reckon first at the right hand the pence, 6 & 8 make 14, from which I take 12 for the next Denomination, that is to say, a shilling, and there resteth 2, which I must write

writte at one end of the nether thwart line.

After that I gather the summe of the shillings 3, 16, 6, which maketh 25, to whom I put 1 that I took of the pence and that maketh 26, from those I take 20, the quantity of the next greater Denomination, that is to say, a pound, and there resteth 6, which I writte at the end of the highest thwart line.

Wherby, I adde together the pounds, 4, 5, and 2, which make 11. to them I adde the one that came of shillings, and they make 12, from whence I cast 9, and there resteth 3, that three I joyne to the 2 in the next place, and they make 5, which I set at the Cross also. And thus is my first part of my worke proved.

What done I come to the totall summe under the line, and examine it, beginning at the pence, where I finde but 2, and cannot take 9 from him: therefore I set him at the other end of the nether thwart line: then I come to the shillings, where I finde onely 6, which (because it is lesse then nine) I set it at the other end of the line of the shillings, that is, the overmost thwart line.

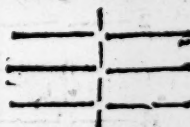
Last of all, of the 32 li. I take three times 9, which is 27, and there remaineth 5, which I writte under the upright line: either else I may reckon them simply without any respect of their valuation or place: saying, 2 and 3 make 5, which because it is lesse then nine, I set under the upright line as before. When I consider every number, comparing it to the number that is against it: and because I finde them to be every one like his match, I know that I have well done.

Scholar. This Crosse I perceiue doth serue for these

these 3 Denominations, pounds, shillings, pence : but what if I had l.s.d.ob. and qd.

Master. These lines, as I have said, doe serve for 3 Denominations, such as they be, as here 3 doe serve for pounds, shillings, and pence : but if you have no pounds in your summe, then may they serve for shillings, pence, and half penies : yea, for d. ob. and q. or in weight for C.q. and l. or in measure for Elles, Quarters, and Nailes, if you have no greater Denomination : so that you remember that the uprigh line serveth for the greatest Denomination, and the highest thwart line for the next and the lowest for the least.

And so if you have foure Denominations, you must make your crosse with so many lines : And if your summe be of more Denominations, make so many lines in your crosse. And thus will I make an end of Addition, saving that here (for the better understanding of this Rule) I have set you down certain examples both of money, weight, and measures with their works and proofs.



## Examples of Addition.

| li. | s. | d. | li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| 23  | 10 | 4  | 130 | 17 | 10 |
| 45  | 6  | 8  | 28  | 6  | 8  |
| 37  | 2  | 9  | 13  | 13 | 4  |
| 25  | 13 | 6  | 120 | 0  | 0  |
|     |    |    |     |    |    |
| 131 | 13 | 3  | 192 | 17 | 10 |

The

$$\begin{array}{c}
 5 \\
 4 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 4 \\
 3 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 3 \\
 5
 \end{array}$$

The proofs.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 4 \\
 8 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 8 \\
 1 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 1 \\
 4
 \end{array}$$

| C.    | q. | li. |
|-------|----|-----|
| 34    | 1  | 3   |
| 12    | 2  | 2   |
| 7     | 3  | 4   |
| 13    | 0  | 13  |
| <hr/> |    |     |
| 67    | 2  | 23  |

| yards | q. | nayles. |
|-------|----|---------|
| 17    | 3  | 3       |
| 35    | 2  | 1       |
| 26    | 1  | 3       |
| 54    | 2  | 0       |
| <hr/> |    |         |
| 134   | 1  | 3       |

$$\begin{array}{c}
 3 \\
 2 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 2 \\
 4 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 4 \\
 3
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 8 \\
 1 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 1 \\
 3 \text{ --- } | \text{ --- } 3 \\
 8
 \end{array}$$

## Subtraſtion.



Hen have I learned the two first kindes of Arithmetick : now (as I remember) doth follow Subtraſtion, whose name (me thinketh) doth sound contrary to Addition.

Subtra-  
ſtion.

Maſter. So it is indeed : for, as Addition increaseth one grolle ſumme, by bying many into one : so contrariſwiſe, Subtraſtion diminitheth a grolle ſumme by withdrawing of other from it. So  
that

that Subtraction or Rebating is nothing else but an Art to withdraw and abate one summe from another, that the remainder may appear.

Scholar. What doe you call the Remainder?

Master. That you may perceiue by the name.

Scholar. So me thinketh : but yet it is good to aske the truth of all such things, lest in trusting to mine owne conjecture, I be deceiued.

Master. So it is the surest way. And, as I see cause, I will still declare things unto you so plainly, that you shall not need to doubt. Doubtless, if I doe overpasse it sometimes, (as the manner of men is to forget the small knowledge of them to whom they speake) then doe you put mee in remembrance your selfe, and that way is surest.

And as for this word that you last asked me, Remainder, take you this description : The Remainder is a summe left after one Subtraction made, which declareth the excelsse or difference of the two other numbers, as if I would abate or subtract 14 out of 18, there should remain 4, which is called the Remainder, and is the difference betwene those two numbers 14 and 18.

Scholar. I perceiue then what Subtraction is : now resteth to know the order how to work it.

Master. What shall you doe by this meanes. First, you must consider, that if you should goe about to rebate, you must haue two sundry summes proposed : the first, which is your grosse summe, (or summe totall) and it must be set highest : and then the rebatement (or summe to be withdrawn) which must be set under the first, (whether it be in one parcell or in many) and that in such sort, that the

the first figures be one just over another, and so the second and third, and all other following, as you did in Addition: then shall you draw under them a line, and so are your summes duly set to begin your working.

Then begin you at the right hand (as you did in Addition) & withdraw the lesser number out of the bigger, and if there remain any thing, write that right under them beneath the line: and if there remain nothing (by reason that the two Figures were equal) then write under them a Cypher or nought: And so doe you with all the other Figures, evermore abating the lower out of the bigger, and write under them the Remainder still, till you come to the end: And so will there appear under the line what remaineth of your grosse summe after you have deducted the other summe from it, as in this example.

I received of your Father 48 s. of which I have laid out for you 36 s. now would I know what doth remaine. And therefore I set my number thus in order. First, I write the greatest summe, and under him the lesser, so that the Figures at the right side be even one under another, and so the other, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 48 \\ 36 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Then doe I rebate 6 out of 8, and there resteth 2, which I write under them right beneath the line thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 48 \\ 36 \\ \hline 2 \end{array}$$

Then I goe to the second Figures, and do rebate 3 out of 4, where there remaineth 1, which I write under them right, and then the whole sum and operation appeareth thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 48 \\ 36 \\ \hline 12 \end{array}$$

Whereby



Whereby it appeareth, that if I withdraw 36 out of 48 there remaineth 12.

Scholar. Now I will prove in a greater summe, and I will subtract 2367924 out of 3468946, those summes I set in order thus:

Then doe I begin at the right side, and deduct 4 out of 6, and there resteth 2, which I write under them. Then go I to the second figures, and withdraw 2 out of 4, and there remaineth 2, which I set under them also, then I take 9 out of 9 and there resteth 0, which I write under them (for you say, that if the figures be equal, so that nothing both remain, I must write the Cypher 0 under them.)

Master. It was well remembered: now go forth.

Scholar. Then I come to the fourth place, and draw 7 out of 8, and there remaineth 1, which I write under them also. Then in the fifth place, I take 6 out of 6, & there resteth 0, (for if I write under them the Cypher 0.) Then in the sixth place 3 rebated from 4 there remaineth 1, which I write under them, and likewise in the seventh and last place, 2 taken from 3 there is left 1, which I write under them: so have I done my whole working, and my summes doe appeare thus. Whereby I see, that (if I doe rebate 2367924 out of 3468946) there remaineth 1101022.

Master. This is well done. And that you may be sure to perceiue fully the Art of Subtraction, let me see how you can subtract 52984732 out of 8250003456.

Scholar.

Scholar. First, I set downe the greatest summe, and after that I will write under it the lesser number, beginning at the right side, and then my Figures will stand thus :

8250003456.

52984732

Note.

Then take I 2 from 6 and the rest is 4, which I write under them. When do I withdraw 3 from 5, and there remaines 2, which I write under them. When take I 7 out of 4, but that I cannot, what shall I now do?

Master. Marke well what I shall tell you now, how you shall doe in this case, and in all other the like: If any figure of the nether summe be greater then the figure of the summe that is over him (so that it cannot be taken out of the figure over him) then must you put 10 to the over figure, and then consider how much it is, and out of that whole summe withdraw the nether figure, and write the rest under them. Can you remember this?

Scholar. Yes, that I trust I shall. Now then in mine example where I should have taken 7 out of 4, and could not, I put 10 to that 4, which maketh 14, from it I take away 7 and there resteth 7 also, which I write under them.

Master. So have you done well: But now must you marke another thing also: that (whenever you do so put ten to any Figure of the over number) you must adde one still to the figure or place that followeth next in the nether line: as in the example there followeth 4, to which you must put 1, and make him 5, and then go on as I have taught you.

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Scholar.

Scholar. Then shall I say, 4 and 1 (which I must put to him for the 10 that I added to 4 before) make 5, which I should take out of 3, but that cannot be; therefore I must put to it also 10, and then it will be 13, from which I take 5, and there resteth 8 to be written under them: and because of that 10 added to the 3, I must adde 1 to 8 that followeth in the nether line, and that maketh 9, which I should take out of 0 and cannot; therefore I put thereto 10, and that maketh 10, from 10 I take 9, & there remaineth 1, which I write under them.

Thus do I adde 1 likewise to the next figure beneath, which is 9, and that maketh 10, that 10 should I take out of the figure above, but I cannot, for it is 0, therefore I put 10 to it, and so take I 10 out of 10, and there resteth 0 to be written under them.

Then come I to the next figure which is 2, and so him I doe adde 1, which maketh 3: that 3 I cannot take out of nought, therefore of that nought I make 10, and thence doe take 3: so there remaineth 7 to be written under them: likewise doe I put 1 to 5, which make 6, that 6 I cannot take out of 5, therefore I adde 10 to that 5 & make it 15, from which I rebate 6 there remaineth 9, which I write under them. Now have I spent all the nether figures, and what shall I do more?

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Master. You should have added one to the next figure following (if there had been any) because you added 10 to the last figure before of the over line: but being there is no figure following, you

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must

must adde that one to the place following, and then deduct that one from the number above.

Scholar. When shall I say, because I borrowed 10 to the over 5, I must put 1 in the next place beneath, that is under 2, then must I subtract that 1 from 2, and there resteth 1 to be written under that in the ninth place. Now I have no more to subtract, for there is not any figure remaining behind, neither yet any unite to be added, because I borrowed not 10 to the figure last before: and yet is there 8 remaining in the over line, which I thinke (by reason) should be set at the end of the figures in the lowest row, which is under the line, for because there was nothing taken from it.

Master. That is well considered, and reason teacheth so indeed,

Scholar. But Sir, I beseech you, shall I alwayes when any number so remaineth alone, as thus 8 did, write him under the line straight against his own place?

Master. Yea, what else? whether they be one or many: & this well remembered, you have sufficiently learned Subtraction; Howbeit, because of certain things that might deceive you, if you did not take good heed to your working, I will propose to you another example of many numbers to be subtracted as thus: I received of a friend of mine to keep 2869 Groats, of which at one time I delivered him again 500, at another time 368, at another time 440, at another time 80, and at another time 64, now would I know how many does rest behind.

Therefore first I set down my grosse sum  
2869

2869 Crowns received. and  
 underneath it I set all 500  
 the parcells thus, and under 368  
 them a double line. 440 } delivered.  
 Then first I begin at the first 80  
 place, and gather together the 64  
 sum of all those lines (save the  
 overmost) in the first figures, & so I doe with all the  
 figures of the second place, & so forth, as I did in Addi-  
 tion, save that I leave out the highest row of num-  
 bers (as the line warneth me) that sum so gather-  
 ed between the double line, is the sum delivered  
 in all: which summe I doe afterwards subtract out  
 of the highest row of numbers, & the remainder doe  
 I set under the nethermost line: as for example.

I set the summes as be-  
 fore: then do I gather the 2869 Crownes received.  
 first figures of all the places 500  
 delivered together: where 368  
 I finde but 4 and 8, that 440 } Delivered.  
 maketh 12, (for three Cy- 80  
 phers increase no sum in 64  
 Addition, as you learned  
 before,) of the 12 therefore 1452 Delivered in all  
 doe I write the Digit 2 1417 Rest behinde.  
 between the double line and keep the Article in my  
 minde, till I come to the second place, where I  
 finde 6, 8, 4, 6, that maketh 24, to them I put  
 the Article in my minde, and it is 25, 5 of which  
 I write under the second place, and keepe the Digit  
 2 in my minde for the third place, where I finde  
 4, 3, 5, that makes 12, to the which I adde the 2  
 in my mind, and it maketh 14, thereof I write the 4  
 under



under the third place, and because there remains no more Figures to be added, I write the Digit in the fourth place, as you see in the Example, and so it appeareth, I have delivered in all a thousand four hundred fifty two Crowns.

Then come I to the Subtracting of this summe between the lines, for by Addition it is equal to the five parcells over it, therefore I procede to subtract it from the overmost summe, saying, 2 from 9 remains 7 to be written under them beneath the lowest line. Then in the second place I take 5 from 6 and there resteth 1 to be written under them. When in the third place, 4 from 8, resteth 4. Last of all in the fourth place, 1 from 2, remaineth 1. And thus I see that after those five sums are subtracted from 2869, the Remainder is 1417.

Scholar. This I perceive: but is there no shorter way and more speedy?

An abridg-  
ment of  
the former  
manner of  
Subtracti-  
on.

Master. Yea, when you are a while exercised in it: for you may (as fast you can gather the numbers together) withdraw them out of the highest sum. But if in quantity those numbers added together, exceed the highest sum, or upper number, then shall you (as before hath been taught) imagine to borrow 10, 20, or 30 more, as need shall require, and put them to the upper number, to help to further the abatement, reserving or restoring the Articles that you borrowed to the next place again: and so still goe forward till you have ended your worke: as for example. In the last summe proposed, I gather first in the first place 4 and 8 that maketh 12, which 12 I should deduct or take out of 9 in the upper number above the line,



line, but I cannot: and therefore I adde unto 9 an Article of 10, and make the upper number 19, from whence I take 12, then there resteth 7, then for the Article 10 I adde to the next place of money delivered: saying, 1 that I bring and 6 make 7, & 8 make 15, & 4 make 19 & 6 make 25, which 25 I should take out of 6 in the upper number, but I cannot, therefore I adde 2 tens, or 20 unto 6 in the upper number, & that maketh 26, then 25 out of 26 resteth 1; then the tens which I borrowed, or have in minde, I adde to the next row of sum delivered; saying, 2 that I bring, and 4 make 6, and 3 make 9, & 5 make 14; then 14 out of 8 I cannot take, but 14 out of 18 resteth 4. Now because there are no more places to be added, the one that I borrowed, or have in minde, I rebate from 2 in the upper line, & there remaineth 1, which I set down in the remainder line: & so my sum appeareth (as before) to be 1417 Crownes.

Loe thus have you now a shorter way.

Scholar. I like both wayes well: & I perceibe both well: yet, as in one the working seemeth somewhat long, so in the other it leaveth very much (mee seemeth) to remembrance, and therefore may cause error quickly, except a man have a quick and an exercised remembrance. But yet for the sharpening of my wit by your patience (if you will give me leave) I will try what I can do in a like sum, to work it the shortest way: whereupon I would subtract out of 40301964, these three parcels. Therefore I set them first in due

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which I should take or deduct out of 4, which is over him, but I cannot : therefore I adde an Article, or one tenne to 4 which maketh 14 then 11 out of 14, there resteth 3 to be written under the first place between the two lines.

Then come I to the second place, saying, 1 that I borrowed to have in my minde, and 6 make 7, and 3 make 10, and 2 make 12, which I cannot take from 6, therefore I adde 10 to 6, which maketh 16, and then 12 from 16, resteth 4, which I write under the second place between the two lines.

Then come I to the third place saying, 1 that I borrowed or have in mind and 4 make 5, and 4 is 9, and 4 make 13, which I should take out of 9 that is over them but I cannot : therefore I adde 10 to 9 which make 19, then 13 out of 19, rest 6.

Then come I to the fourth place, saying, 1 in minde and 1 is 2, and 2 is 4 and 3 make 7, which because it cannot be taken from 1, I take it from 11, and there resteth 4.

After that I come to the fifth place, where are onely three Cyphers, which make nothing, unto which I adde 1 in minde, then should I take that (that is to say) 1 from the Figure over them, which is also a Cypher : therefore I say thus. I cannot take 1 from 0, but 1 from 10 remaineth 9 : so must I write 9 under them. Then in the sixth place I finde but 1, and 1 in minde make 2, which I take out of 3 over him, and the remainder is 1 : that must be written between the two lines in the sixth place. So I goe to the seventh place where I finde onely Cyphers, and in the grosse

summe

summe over them a Cypher also: therefore must I write the remainder (which is nothing) with a Cypher also. Then in the eight and last place I gather 1, 1, 2. that maketh 4, which if I take out of that 4 that is over them, there will nothing remaine. And that must be noted with a Cypher between the two lines (as I have often said) and so have I ended my worke, and the figures stand as followeth.

Scholar. But Sir, I remember you taught me that Cyphers should not come in the last place, for because they serve onely to increase the value of other Figures which follow them and serve not those figures that goe before them: and now in my Example I have set two Cyphers in the two last places.

Master. I commend you for your remembrance, And truth it is, you should not have set them here, but onely because that I would make you plainly to perceiue the Art of Subtraction. Therefore seeing that you doe now perceiue it, whensoever you would write down a Cypher, looke whether any other figures be yet behind: and if not, then let go the 0 also, for it needeth not to write him in the latter places, where no other figure doth follow, except it be (as I did now 40301964 Charge. suffer you) to teach the use of Subtraction the plainer.

Therefore your figures must stand thus when the worke is ended.

Scholar. Sir, I do thinke with that you taught me before, and by these two summes that you taught mee

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| 0164643 | Rest. |
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last also, that now I could Subtract any summe.

Master. So may you, if you have marked what I have taught you. But because this thing (as all other) must be learned surely by often practise, I will propound here two Examples to you : wherein if you often exercise your selfe, you shall be ripe and perfect to subtract any other summe lightly ; for in them is contained all the observances of whole numbers. And because you shall perceiue somewhat both how to doe it, and also whether it be well done when you have proved to doe it ; therefore have I written under them both the Remainders.

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|--------|---------------------|---------|----------------|
| 30606. | <i>Lent.</i>        | 308964. | <i>Debt.</i>   |
| <hr/>  |                     | <hr/>   |                |
| 10354  | } <i>Paid.</i>      | 103145  | } <i>Paid.</i> |
| 10249  |                     | 102597  |                |
| 163    |                     | 101024  |                |
| <hr/>  |                     | <hr/>   |                |
| 20766  | <i>Paid in all.</i> | 02198   | <i>Rest.</i>   |
| <hr/>  |                     |         |                |
| 9840   | <i>Rest to pay.</i> |         |                |

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you : but I thinke I might the better doe it, if you did shew mee the working of it.

Master. Yea, but you must prove your selfe to do some things without my aid, or else you shall not be able to doe any moze then you are taught : And that were rather to learne by wote (as they call it) then by reason. And again, there is nothing in these examples, or any other of whole numbers, but

but I have taught you the rules of them already.

Scholar. When I trust by practise to attain the use of it. And is this all that I shall learne of Subtraction?

Master. Yea, saying that (as you have seen in Addition) there are numbers of others Denominations, in which the working is not much unlike: yet (without some instructions be given of it) it might seem to a learner more difficult then indeed it is. Therefore I will briefly shew you the use of it onely by an example or two.

A certain man owed to mee 14 l. 12 s. 8 d.  
of which he paid me at one time 4 l. 6 s. 8 d.  
at another time 3 l. at another 2 l. 3 s. 4 d.  
and last of all 6 s. 8 d.

Now would I know what remaineth unpaid yet? therefore I set my sums thus, every one in their due place: As pounds under pounds, shillings under shillings, pence under pence.

| li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|
| 14  | 12 | 8  |
| 4   | 6  | 8  |
| 3   | 0  | 0  |
| 2   | 3  | 4  |
|     | 6  | 8  |

Scholar. Sir, I pray you why do you write 2 l. for the common speech useth rather to say, 40 s.

Master. We must here use the Denomination that is greatest in any summe, so that we may not write according as we use to speake, saying, 16 d. 18 d. or likewise 7 groats, 8 groats, 24 s. 40 s. 48 s. and such other: but we must write every Denomination that is in any summe by it self.

Samely, shillings and pounds. So must we write for the last summes now named, 1 s. 4d. 1 s. 6 d. 2 s. 4 d. 2 s. 8d. 1 l. 4 s. 1. 2 l. 8 s. and so forth of other like.

Scholar.

Note how the penne differeth from the common order of Counters.



Scholar. So that we may not write in Arithmetick, pence, when the summe amounteth to shillings, nor shillings, when the summe maketh pounds. Now (if it please you) end your example.

Master. When my summes are so set as I shewed, then (according to the rules of Addition) I gather all the particular summes which be paid mee into one totall summe, directly to be set under them between the two lines, not meddling with the 14 l. 12 s. 8 d. as the line warneth mee : therefore must I beginne with the smallest Denomination, saying, 8, 4, 8, is 20, pence, which maketh one shilling and 8 pence, the 8 d. I set downe under the place of pence, li. s. d.  
 and the one shilling 14 ——— 12 ——— 8  
 I keep in minde to carry to the next Denomination of shillings : Then come I to the shillings say one that I bring or have in minde, & 6 is 7, and 3 is 10 & 6 makes 16, which because it containeth not one pound,

|   |   |    |   |   |       |
|---|---|----|---|---|-------|
| 4 | — | 6  | — | 8 | }     |
| 3 | — | 0  | — | 0 |       |
| 2 | — | 3  | — | 4 |       |
|   |   | 6  | — | 8 | }     |
| 9 | — | 16 | — | 8 |       |
| 4 | — | 16 | — | 0 | Rest. |

I set directly under the place of shillings. Then come I to the pounds, whose parcels are 2, 3, 4. that is in all 9, that 9 doe I set down directly under the pounds : And so the totall or whole Addition of all the particulars paid, amounteth to 9 l. 16 s. 8 d.

Now for the worke of Subtraction, I must rebate that totall summe of Addition out of the highest number, that is to say from the 14 l. 12 s. 8 d.

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Therefore to perform the worke I ſay, 8 d. out of 8 d. remaineth or reſteth nothing, therefore in the place of the reſt or remain, right under the Denomination, I ſet down 0. When coming to the ſhillings, where I finde 16. which ſhould be taken out of 12, but I cannot : therefore I imagine to borrow 1 out of the next Denomination, that is, of the 14 l. and put that one pound ſo borrowed unto 12 s. that maketh 32 s.

Now 16 s. out of 32 s. reſteth 16 s. which 16 s. I ſet down directly under the place of the reſt.

Laſtly, coming to the pounds, ſaying, one pound in minde that I borrowed, and 9 make 10, then 10 out of 14. there reſteth 4.

So doth my whole reſt or remain appear to be 4 l. 16 s. 0 d.

This I account the eaſieſt way for a young beginner to practiſe, though it be ſomething long.

Scholar. Is there any ſhorter way for this worke alſo ?

Maſter. Yes, as in this laſt Example I will alſo ſhew you, for you may adde together the particular ſums as they are ſet in order,

|                                                             | li. | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|
| beginning with the pence, ſaying, 8, 4, 8, make 20 d. which | 14  | 12 | 8  |
| 20 d. you ſhould take out of                                | 4   | 6  | 8  |
| the 8 d. above the line, but                                | 3   | 0  | 0  |
| you cannot, therefore ſhall                                 | 2   | 3  | 4  |
| you borrow 1 of the next Denomination, that is to ſay 1 of  | 0   | 6  | 8  |
| the ſhillings, and put it to                                | 4   | 16 | 0  |
| the 8 d. that maketh 20 d.                                  |     |    |    |

now 20, out of 20 d. reſteth 0, which Cypher I ſet down

down directly under them. Then one shilling that I borrowed oz had in mind, and 6 make 7, and 3 make 10, and 6 make 16, the 16 out of 12 I cannot take, therefore of the next Denomination I doe borrow one l. and put it to 12 s. which maketh 32 s. then 16 s. out of 32 s. resteth 16 s.

Lastly I come to the pounds, saying, 1 l. in minde, oz that I borrowed, and 2 make 3, and 3 is 6, and 4 is 10, then 10 out of 14, there resteth 4.

So doth my remainder oz rest appeare as befoze to be 4 l. 16 s. od.

Scholar. When doe I perceiue very well: and if there be no other thing to be learned in Subtraction, then may I come to Multiplication, for that you reckoned to be next in order.

Master. Wee have done indeede with the Art of Subtraction, as touching the working.

Proof of  
Subtraction.

But yet befoze we go to Multiplication, I will instruct you how to examine your worke, whether it be well done oz not. For the performance whereof, if you marke what I sayd in Addition, you may easily perceiue what is to be done for the proue of Subtraction, which is best made by the aide of Addition thus.

Draw under the lowest number (which is your Remainder) a line, and then adde this Remainder and all the other that you did subtract befoze, together, and write that that amounteth under the lower line: and if the summe that cometh thereof be equall to the highest of the Subtraction, then is the Subtraction well wrought, oz else not: As you may see for example in the summes set down befoze,

soze, & first in sums of one Denomination, whereof one was this.

Where the Number 52984732 8250003456  
is subtracted from 8250003456.  
52984732

& the Remainder is 8197018724

Now to prove whether it be 8197018724

truly wrought or not, I adde the Remainder and

the number Subtracted together, beginning at the

right hand; and first I say 4 and 2 is 6 which is

set under the line:

Example  
in a sum of  
one De-  
nomina-  
tion.

The number given

8250003456

The number to Subtract

52984732

The Remainder

8197018724

The Proofs

8250003456

Then again in the second place I say 2 and 3 is 5, which I write under, next that in the third place, 7 and 7 are 14, of which I write the Digit 4, and keepe the Article 1 in my minde. Then in the fourth place 8 and 4 is 12 and 1 in my minde maketh 13, whereof I write downe the Digit 3, and keepe the Article 1 in my minde. Again in the fifth place, 1 and 8 is 9, and 1 in my minde is 10. Whereof I set downe 0 and keepe the 1 in my minde. And so going on to the rest (as it is taught in Addition) when I have made an end, I see that the lowest line of numbers and the highest be alike: wherefore I know that I have well done.

So likewise the Proofs is to be made in numbers of divers Denominations: as for Example, in our summe of that kinde which in the first form of working stood thus: (all the particular numbers to be subtracted, being draine into one)

Where,

Example  
in a sum  
of divers  
Denomi-  
nations.

Where, in the title of pence, li. s. d.  
I find 8 & 0: the 8 I set down  
directly under in that of pence.

Then in the place of shil-  
lings I finde 16 and 16 which  
make 32 shillings, wherein is  
contained 1 l. and 12 s. the  
12 s. I set down directly un-  
der them in the due place of  
shillings, & one pound I keepe.

Then coming to the  
pounds, I say 1 that I keepe,  
and 4 is 5, and 9, is 14, which  
I 4 in due order I set downe directly under them as  
this Figure sheweth. And the whole summe is 14 l.  
12 s. 8 d. agreeing with the upper number above.  
So I find the worke is good, and the Subtraction  
well wrought.

The same thing is to be done for the latter forme  
of Subtraction (where the particular summes are  
not gathered together into one grosse.) For the  
Remainer and all the particular summes subtracted,  
being added together, if the summe that cometh  
thereof be equall to the highest number above, then  
is the Subtraction well wrought, or else not.

Example  
of a proof  
in the lat-  
ter forme  
of Subtra-  
ction.

As for example also in the  
last sums which stood thus,

First in the title of pence,  
I adde 8, 4, 8, that maketh  
20 d. which containeth 1 shil-  
ling and 8 pence.

The 8 I set down under  
the lowest line in the row of

| li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|
| 14  | 12 | 8  |
| 4   | 6  | 8  |
| 3   | 0  | 0  |
| 2   | 3  | 4  |
| 0   | 6  | 8  |
| 4   | 16 | 0  |
| 14  | 12 | 8  |

title



title of pence, and that 1 shilling I keep to carry of the next Denomination or place of shillings.

When returning to the shillings, saying: one in minde, or that I keep, and 16 make 17, and 6 make 23, and 3 make 26, and 6 make 32 shillings, which amounteth to one pound, 12 s. the 12 s. I set down under the title of shillings: and 1 pound. I keep or have in mind to carry to the next Denomination or place of pounds. When come I to the pounds, saying, 1 that I bring and 4 make 5, and 2 make 7, and 3 is 10, and 4 make 14; then doe I write 14 under the pounds, and so have I ended the Addition: and I see that the lowest line is like unto the uppermost line in number, wherefore I know that I have well done.

And thus have I taught you the Art of Subtraction, and the means to prove whether it be well wrought or not. Therefore now will I make an end thereof, and will instruct you in Multiplication.

Multi-

# Multiplication.

Multiplication  
what it is.



*Multiplication is an operation whereby two sums produce the third: which third sum so many times shall contain the first, as there are Unites in the second. And it serveth in stead of many Additions. As for Example :*

When I would know how many are 30 times 48, if I should adde 48 thirty times, it would be a long worke, Therefore was Multiplication devised, which shall doe that at once that Addition should do at many times.

Scholar. I perceiue the commoditie of it partly, but I shall not see the full profit of it till I know the whole use of it. Therefore Sir, I beseech you, teach me the working of it.

Master. So I judge it best; but because that great summes cannot be multiplied but by the Multiplication of Digits, therefore I thinke it best to shew you the way of multiplying them. As when I say, 9 times 8, or 8 times 9, &c. And as for the small Digits, under 5 it were but folly to teach any rule, seeing they are so easie that every child can doe it: but for the Multiplication of the greater Digits, thus shall you do.

First, set your Digits one right over the other, then from the uppermost downwards, and from the nethermost upward, draw straight lines, so that they make a crosse, commonly called Saint Andrews

Andrews

Multiplication of  
Digits.

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Andrews crosse, as you see here: Then loke how many each of them lacketh of 10, and write that against each of them at the end of the lines, & that is called the difference: as if I would know how many are 7 times 8, I must write those Digits thus.

*Digit difference.* The difference.

Then doe I loke how much 8 doth differ from 10, and I finde it to be 2: that 2 doe I write at the right hand of 8, at the end of the line thus.

8  
X

After that I take the difference of 7 likewise from 10, that is 3, and I write that at the right side of 7, as you see in this example.

7  
Digit difference:  
8 2

Then doe I draw a line under them, as in Addition, thus.

X

Last of all, I multiply the two differences, saying 2 times 3 make 6, that must I ever set under the differences; beneath the line: then must I take one of the differences (which I will, for all is like) from the other Digit (not from his owne) as the line of the Crosse warne me, & that is left must I

7  
Digit difference:  
8 2

write under the Digits. As in this example, if I take 2 from 7, or 3 from 8, there remaineth 5: that 5 must I write under the Digits, & then there appeareth the multiplication of 7 times 8 to be 56. And so likewise of any other Digits, if they be above 5, for if they be under 5, then will there difference be

X  
7 3

8 2

X

7 3

5 6

If greater

greater then themselves, so that they cannot be taken out of them. And again, such little sums every childe can multiplr, as to say 2 times 3, or 4 times 5, and such like.

Schol. Trath it is. And seeing me seemeth that I understand the multipling of the greater Digits, I will prove by an example how I can do it, I would know how many are 9 times 6.

Master. It is all one in value to say 9 times 6, or 6 times 9 : but yet the order is best to put the less sum first, saying, 6 times 9, & so of all other summes,

Scholar. When would I know how many are 6 times 9: therefore I set the Digits thus, and make the crosse, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ X \\ 6 \end{array}$$

Then doe I set their differences from 10 at the right side, the difference of 9, which is 1, against it, and the difference of 6, which is 4, against it also, as in this example.

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \quad 1 \\ X \\ 6 \quad 4 \end{array}$$

And under them draw a line, Then doe I multiply the differences together, saying: 1 time 4 maketh 4, that 4 doe I write under them thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \quad 1 \\ X \\ 6 \quad 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Then take I one of the differences from the other Digit, as, 1 from 6, or else 4 from 9, and each wayes there resteth 5, which I doe write under the Digits thus. And so appeareth the multiplication of 6 times 9, to be 54. Thus I see the sents of this manner of multiplication of Digits.

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \quad 1 \\ X \\ 6 \quad 4 \\ \hline 5 \quad 4 \end{array}$$

Master

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Master. Now might you go straight to the multiplication of great numbers, save that both for your ease and surety in working I will devise you here a Table, whereby shall appear the multiplication of all the Digits, and this is it that followeth.

|   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| 1 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9 |
| 2 | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 |   |
| 3 | 9  | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 |    |   |
| 4 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 |    |    |   |
| 5 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 |    |    |    |   |
| 6 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 |    |    |    |    |   |
| 7 | 49 | 56 | 63 |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| 8 | 64 | 72 |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| 9 | 81 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |

In which Table when you would know the product in any multiplication of Digits, seek your first or last Digit in the greater figures; and from it go right forth towards the right hand, till you come under the number of your second Digit, which is in the highest row, and then the number that is in the meeting of the rows of little squares (which come directly from both your propounded Digits) is the Multiplication that amounteth of the. As if I would know by this Table the multiplication of 7 times 9, seek first 7 in the greater figures, and then go right forth toward the right hand, till you come under 9 of the highest row in which place where you so come under the other



other Digit ( as here for example you come under 9 ) is alwayes contained the off-come or product, which you seek, and that place we terme to be in the common angle, in respect of the two numbers so taken on the outdoers : as here in that common angle, where the rowes of little squares directly proceeding from 7 and 9 do meet, you have 63, which 63 is the summe of the multiplication of 9 by 7.

To multiply greater summes.

Scholar. This is very good and ready. And so may I find the multiplication of any Digits : but now how shall I doe in greater summes?

Multiplier.

Master. When you would multiply any summe by another, you shall mark that it is the meetest order to set the greatest number highest, which is the place of the number that must be multiplied : and likewise the lesser number under it, for that is the place of the Multiplier or Multiplicator, that is to say, the number by which the Multiplication is made, and is in English alwayes put before this word, Times : in such speaking as when I say 20 times 70. And the number that followeth this word Times, is that which must be Multiplied.

Times.

Wherefore when I would multiply one number by another, I must write the greatest highest, and the lesser under it, as in Addition. And under them must I draw a line. As for example, If I would multiply 264 by 29, I must set them thus.

Of which number thus set downe to be multiplied, may be formed a question, as thus, There are 29 men, and each man hath 264 Lambes. The question is, how many Lambes they have in all.

To the performance whereof, I must multiply every figure, of the higher row by every figure of the neather row: and that that amounteth I must set under the line, as thus. 4 to 264

First I do multiply 4 by 9, saying, 9 times 4 (or 4 times 9 which is all one) and that maketh 36, as the Table before of Digits doth declare, 29

of that 36, I must write the 6, that is the Digit, under the 9, & the Article 3 I keep in mind to carry to the next place, 6

Then come I to the second figure of the higher row, which is 6, and say 9 times 6 make 54, and with the 3 in my mind make 57, the 7 I set downe under the 2, and 5 I keep in mind, 76

After that I come to the next figure, which is 2, and multiply it by 9, and that maketh 18, and with 5 that I have in mind, maketh 23: wherefore because it is the last worke of the Multiplier, I set it down in order as you see: 2376

And so have I ended the first figure of the Multiplier. Wherefore I give it now a fine dash with my pen.

Then begin I with the next figure, & multiply it into all the higher figures as thus, 264

First, 2 times 4 make 8, that 8 do I write under the second place: for evermore the Digit or first figure of the Multiplication that amounteth of the figure of the higher number, must be set under the Multiplier of it, the other in their order toward the left hand. 2376

Scholar. I understand you thus that the Digit of the summe amounting of the Multiplication of the first figure of the higher row, by the first figure of the lower row, or Multiplier, must be set under the first place: and that that amounteth of the same first figure by the second Multiplier, must be set under the second place, and so of the other, if there be more Multipliers.

Master. So meane I indeed: and if there amount but a Digit then must it be set under the Multiplier.

And now to goe forth; I multiply by the same 2, the second figure of the higher row, which is 6, saying two times 6 make 12, wherefore I write the Digit 2 under the third place, and the Article 1 I keep in mind.

$$\begin{array}{r} 264 \\ 29 \\ \hline 2376 \\ 28 \end{array}$$

Then doe I multiply the last figure of the higher summe by that same 2, saying, two times 2 is 4, and with the 1 that I have in minde maketh 5, which I write under the fourth place. And so have I ended the whole Multiplication: wherefore I also give the 2 a dash with my pen, thus: and so I doe ever as soone as I have dispatched any Digit by which I multiply: and the summes stand thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 264 \\ 29 \\ \hline 2376 \\ 528 \end{array}$$

Then must I draw a line under all those summes that mount of the multiplication, and must adde all them into one summe as in the Example, you may see.

$$\begin{array}{r} 264 \\ 29 \\ \hline 2376 \\ 528 \\ \hline 7656 \end{array}$$

Where

1. Where in the first place I finde but 6, and therefore write I it under the line. Then in the second place 8 and 7 make 15, whereof I write 5, and keepe one in my minde, and so forth as you learned in Addition. And so appeareth the whole summe to be 7656, which amounteth of the Multiplication of 264, by 29, and that is the just number of the Lambes that 29 men had.

Scholar. If there be no more to be observed in it, then can I doe it I suppose, as by this Example I shall prove.

¶ There is a peece of ground which containeth 1365 yards in length, and 236 yards in breadth: I would know how many yards square there is in all this peece of ground: which numbers I set downe with the greater above, and the lesser under, as you see.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1365 \\ 236 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

When doe I multiply 5 by 6, saying, 6 times 5 make 30, of which I write the Cypher in the first place, and the Article 3 I doe keepe in minde to carry to the next place.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1365 \\ 236 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

When do I by the same 6, multiply the second figure of the higher sum, which is 6, saying, 6 times 6 make 36 & 3 in my mind make 39, of which I write 9 under the second place, & the Article 3 I keepe in mind.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1365 \\ 236 \\ \hline 90 \end{array}$$

When doe I multiply the third figure, which is 3 by the same 6, and that maketh 18, and 3 in my minde make 21. The 1 I set down, and keepe 2 in minde.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1365 \\ 236 \\ \hline 190 \end{array}$$

I 4

Then

Then come I to the last figure of the higher summe, and multiply it by 6, saying, 6 times 1 make 6, and 2 in my minde make 8, that 8 doe I write under the fourth place, And so have I ended the first Multiplier, and dash him sleightly with my Pen.

1365

236

8190

Then begin I with the second Multiplier, and say, first 3 times 5 make 15, of which I set the 5 under the second place, because that the Multiplier is there, and the Article 1 I keep in mind.

Then come I to the second figure that is 6, and multiply it by 3, which maketh 18, and with one in minde maketh 19, the 9 I set down under the third place, and 1 I keep in mind.

1365

236

8190

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Then come I to the third figure, which is 3, and multiply it by 3, saying, 3 times 3 make 9, and with 1 in mind, make 10, the Cypher I set under the fourth place, and the Article 1 I keep in mind.

1365

236

8190

095

And then coming to the last figure 1, I multiply it by 3, and it maketh 3, & with the one in mind, it maketh 4, which 4 I set in the fifth place and then have I ended two of the Multipliers, and the summes stand as you may see in the latter end of the page going before, and then I give 3 his dash.

1365

236

8190

4095

Then



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Then come I to the third Multiplier, and multiply it into every figure of the higher summe, and first I say, 2 times 5 make 10, of which I set the Cypher under the Multiplier in the third place, and the Article 1 I keep in minde.

And so multiplying the second figure 6 by that same 2, there amounteth 12, and 1 in my minde maketh 13, whereof I write the Digit 3 under the fourth place, and the Article 1 I keep in mind:

Then do I multiply the said 2 by the third figure of the higher summe, which is 3, and that maketh 6, and the one in minde make 7, which 7 I set down under the fifth place, as appeareth by the example.

Then come I to the last place, and multiply that 1 by 2, and there amounteth 2, which I set in the sixth place, and then doth the summe stand thus.

And so have I ended the whole Multiplication.

But now (as you taught me) to know what this whole summe is, I must adde all those parcels together, and then under the line will appeare, as you may see, the grosse or totall summe is, 322140. Whereby I know there is 10 many yards square in that piece of ground.

Master.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1365 \\
 236 \\
 \hline
 8190 \\
 4095 \\
 0 \\
 \hline
 1365 \\
 236 \\
 \hline
 8190 \\
 4095 \\
 30 \\
 \hline
 1365 \\
 236 \\
 \hline
 8190 \\
 4095 \\
 730 \\
 \hline
 1365 \\
 236 \\
 \hline
 8190 \\
 4095 \\
 2730 \\
 \hline
 322140
 \end{array}$$

Master. This is well done.

Scholar. When me thinketh I could call it well done, when I know, whether I had well done or no.

Master. It is to be proved by 9 as Addition was, but the surest proof is by Division, and therefore I will reserve that proof by Division, till you have learned the Art of Division. And anon I will shew you how it is commonly proved.

¶ But first, for your further instruction in this exercise of Multiplication, I will with one example try your cunning, and so make an end: And the question is this. I would know how many daies it is since the Nativity of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, unto this year 1630. Which to performe, you must multiply this present year 1630 by the daies in one whole yeare, which are 365.

Scholar. Now for that you have given me so much light into the question, you shall see I will handsomely finish the work, for according to your former instructions, I set them down with a line under them thus.

When say I, 5 times 0 is 0, which I set downe under the first place, as here appeareth. Then say I, 5 times 3 make 15, the Digit 5 I set downe in the second place under 3, and the Article 1 I keep in minde to be added to the next Multiplication. Then saying five times 6 make 30, and 1 in minde 31, the 1 I set downe in the third place, and 3 I keepe in minde. Then coming to the last Figure, I say once 5 is 5, and 3 in minde make 8, that 1 doe I set downe under the fourth place: and thus have I ended my first Multiplier,

and

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and therefore I give it a dash with my pen.

Then come I to the second Multiplier, which is 6, and do likewise multiply it into the upper number, saying; 6 times 0 is 0, which I set down in the second place, right under his Multiplier: then say I, 6 times 3 make 18, the 8 I set down under the third place, and 1 I keep in mind.

1630

368

8150

9780

Then say I 6 times 6 make 36, and 1 I keep in minde make 37. the Digit 7 I set down in the fourth place, and 3 I keep in mind: Then say I 6 times 1 is 6, or once 6 is 6, and 3 in minde make 9, which I set down next, and so have I ended two Multipliers: wherefore I dash the 6 with my pen.

Then I begin to multiply the third Multiplier into the over number, saying, 3 times 0 is 0; the 0 I set down in the third place right under his Multiplier. Then say I 3 times 3 make 9, which I set down in order next: then say I, 3 times 6 is 18, the 8 I set down,

and 1 I keep. Lastly, I say, once 3, is 3 and 1 I keep is 4, which I set down orderly next: And so have I ended the Multiplication, & my figures stand thus.

1630

368

8150

9780

4890

594950

or thus

1630

368

815

978

489

594950

Master. I commend you for your diligence, the worke is very perfectly done; which parcels if you now adde together into one sum it will be 594950; which

which is the grosse or totall summe of that Multiplication, and declareth the number of dayes since our Lord and Saviour his incarnation, unto the end of 1630 yeares, besides 407 dayes, and twelve houres for leape yeares.

Scholar. This is marvellous, me think, that such great matters may so easily be atchieved by this Art, which heretofore I ever thought had been impossible, as infinite sorts of people are of that minde.

Master. Truth it is, that knowledge hath no greater enemy then ignorance, for this is one of the least of ten thousand things that may be done by this Art, as hereafter you shall be able to iustifie.

Scholar. The manner of Multiplication I perceiue, if there be no more in it.

Master. Yes, there are other formes and helps for ease and shorter labour of the worke of Multiplication, but I will remitt them till you haue a little tasted Division, where also the like help into Division may be used: and so therefore under one example for both, will I shew you both ease in Multiplication, and also in Division.

But sith the other formes and workings do nothing differ from these workes in effect, but onely in setting of the numbers, I will overpasse them till a more meete place and time. And now will I instruct you in Division, so that you think your self sufficiently to perceiue what I haue taught you.

Scholar. Yes Sir, I thank you, but I doe not perceiue how to examine my worke, to try whether I haue well done or no: therefore as  
you

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you promised me ere-while, I pray you first shew me howe I shall prove it.

Master. That is commonly used by the prooffe of 9, as you learned before in Addition, saving that it differeth from that forme in divers respects: As for example.

First, must you make a crosse after this manner.

X

Then must you examine your summe that should be multiplied, and look what remaineth after casting away of 9, that set you at the one side of the crosse, then examine the Multiplier, and whatsoever remaineth in it after casting away 9 so often as you can, write that at the other side of the crosse: then must you multiply those two numbers together, and looke what amounteth thereof, if it be under 9, write it at the higher part of the crosse: but if it be above 9, then take thence 9 as often as ye can, and write the rest at the head of the crosse: As for example, put forth of the piece of ground that contained 1365 yards in length & 236 yards in breadth.

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Multipli-  
cation.

Wherefore first I cast away all the nines from the summe to be multiplied, saying, 5 and 6 make 11, cast away 9 rest 2: then 3 and 2 makes 5, and 1 is 6, that I write at one side of the crosse thus.

X  
6

Then do I examine the Multiplier which is 236, wherein when

the



the 9 is cast out, there remaineth 2, that 2 therefore I set at the other side of the crosse.

$$\begin{array}{r} \times \\ 2 \quad 6 \end{array}$$

Then doe I multiply 6 by 2, and it maketh 12, from which 12 I withdraue 9, then resteth 3, which 3 doe I set at the head of the crosse. Then doe I examine the grosse summe, amounting of the Multiplication, which is 322140, where I finde 9 ones, and 3 remaining; that 3 I set at the top of the crosse, and then I see it to agree with the other 3 at the toppe of the crosse, and so knowe I that I have done well: for if they two did differ, then were my worke vaine, and the Multiplication false.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ \times \\ 2 \quad 6 \end{array}$$

This is the common proof: but the most certain prooue is by Division of which I will anon instruct you.

Schol. Sir, what is the chief use of Multiplication?

A 'sure'  
proof of  
Multiply-  
cation.

Master. The use of it is greater then you can yet understand: to witte, these plaine commodities it hath, that if you would resolve any great and whole value into many small and lesse proportions, as if you would change pounds into shillings and pence or any other greater or smaller parcels by Multiplication ye shall do it speedily and easily. Also if you should need to adde one sum to it selfe, or to any other often times you shall doe it by Multiplication much more speedily, readily, easily, and surely, then by often and sundry Additions. Take you these commodities grossly shewed for an answer at this time, and hereafter I will more abundantly make you to perceiue the use of it.

Division

# Division.

Scholar.



*Ell Sir, then in Division I pray you to instruct me. But me thinketh by the name of it, that it should be all one with Multiplication: for I call that Division, when any thing is parted into diverse and many parts.*

Master, You take it as it is taken commonly: howbeit, if you marke well, you shall perceive that it is quite contrary to Multiplication, and doth not part one thing or few things into many, but contrarywise, it bringeth many parcels into few, but yet so, that these few taken together, are equall in value to the other many: for by Division pence are turned into shillings, and shillings into pounds: As for example, of 120 shillings, it maketh 6 pounds, so are 120 turned into 6, which is a smaller number: but then if you consider the Denominators, you shall see that they are such, that one of the latter is equal to 20 of the first, and so in value the summes are one, though in number they doe differ, and the latter summe is the lesser, and so it is alwayes in Division, howbeit, yet in the working the summe is parted by another, and thereof both it take the name.

Scholar

Scholar. I thinke I shall better understand the reason of the name when I know the use of the work, therefore now would I gladly learn that.

Division  
what it is.

Master. Division is a distributing of a greater summe by the unites of a lesser : Or, Division is an Arithmetickall producing of a third number, in respect of two propounded numbers ; which third number shall so often contain an unite, as the greater of the two propounded numbers can contain the lesser. So that as Multiplication did seem to serue in stead of many Additions, so Division may seem to be in place of many Subtractions : Because that third number briefly expresth how many times the lesser of your two propounded numbers may be subtracted from the greater : as in practise will more largely appeare. Therefore (as you may perceiue) vnder Division are required three numbers : The first, which should be diuided, and that must (generally) be the greater : and the second, by which the other must be diuided, and that is (generally) the lesser, and is called the Divisor : And the third, which answereth to the question (How many times) and therefore is called the Quotient.

A generall  
rule for  
placing the  
figure.

The first must be first written, and the second so set under it, that the last figure of the lower number be right under the last of the higher, contrariwise to the worke of other kindes of Arithmetick : for in them the two first figures were set euer met one under the other ; but in Division, the last figures must be set met, except it chance so that the last figure of the Divisor, be greater then the last of the higher number, for then you shall set the last of the Divisor under the last save one of the higher

higher number, as for example:

If you should divide 365 (which are the summe of the dayes of a year) by 28, which are the dayes of a common Month; then should you set them thus.

But if you should divide those 365 daies by 52, which is the number of weekes in one yeare, then should you set them thus.

Likewise if I would divide the same 365 by 4, which is the summe of the quarters of years, then must I set them thus.

Scholar. Sir this doe I understand, but now how should I doe to divide the one by the other?

Master. You must beginne with the last Figure next the left hand, and see how many times the first Figure of the Divisor may bee taken out of the last Figure of the other Number, and that shall you note within a crooked line toward your right hand: As for example, I would divide 365 by 28, then set I those two summes thus.

And I looke how many times I may finde 2 (which is the last figure of the Divisor) in 3, (which is the last of the number to be divided) and considering that I can take 2 out of 3 but once, I make a crooked line at the right hand of the numbers, and within it I set 1, and that is called the Quotient number, as I told you.

Quotient  
numbers

Then because that when 2 is taken out of 3, there remaineth 1, I must write that 1 over 3, & deface or cancell the 3 & the 2, then will the figures stand thus.

1  
365 (1  
28

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Then

Then come I to the next figure of the Divisor, and take it likewise so many times out of the figures that be over it, and looke what doth remain, that I must write over them, and cancell them, as in this example.

Therefore now do I take once 8 out of 16, and there remaineth 8, which I must set over the 6, and cancell or crosse out the 16, and the 8 of the Divisor: and then will the figures stand thus, And so I have once wrought. 365 (1

Scholar. So I perceibe that you take the nether figure, not only out of the other that is right over him, but out of that with the other also that remaineth before, and are written toward the left hand.

Master. So must you doe: for you must so take the Divisor out of the over number, that there remaine not over it so great a summe as it selfe is: for then were your worke in vaine.

But yet againe here must you mark, that when you seeke how many times the last figure of the Divisor may be found in the number over him, that you looke also whether you may as often finde all the figures following in those that are above them (considering all the remainers, if there be any) if not, take your Quotient lesse by one, and then probe againe, and so still you finde a meet Quotient: and by that meet Quotient must you alwayes multiply your Divisor, and set the product under your Divisor, so that the first figure stand under the first figure of your Divisor, and the second under the second, and so forth; and then subtract that product from the number to be divided that standeth directly



really over it, as you have seen me doe.

When you have thus wrought once, then must you begin againe, and write your Divisor anew, never toward the right hand by one place, as in this example, you shall set 2 under 8, and 8 under 5, thus.

Then (as before) seeke how many times you may take your Divisor out of the number over him now.

Scholar. What may I doe here 4 times.

Master. Truth it is that you may finde 2 foure times in 8 : but then marke whether you can finde the figure following so many times in the other that is over him. Can you finde 8 foure times in 5 ?

Scholar. No, neither yet once.

Master. Therefore take 2 out of 8 once lesse.

Scholar. What is three times.

Master. Well then, 3 times 2 make 6 : if I take 6 out of 8, there remaineth 2 : which 2 with the five following make 25, in which summe I finde 8 three times also, and therefore I take 3 as a true Quotient, and write it within the crooked line of the Quotient before the 1, thus :

When say I, 3 times 2 make 6, then 6 out of 8 resteth 2, therefore I cancell the 8, and write over it the 2 that doth remain, thus :

When doe I take 8 as many times out of 25, saying, 3 times 8 make 24, and if I take 24 out of 25, there remaineth 1, so then I cancell 25 and 8, and over the 5 set 1 thus :

So you might (after you find 3 to be a fit Quotient)

Mark how  
to consider  
this kinde  
of Remainer.

tient) straight way have multiplied 2  
 the whole Divisor 28, by that at once: 181  
 which giveth 84, which being set under 368 (13  
 28, and duely subtracted from 85, of the 288  
 number divided, giveth 1, the remainder 22  
 of the whole division, as before you had. Which  
 which way you list, here you may see also the form.

And now have I done with the dividing; for  
 I cannot finde my Divisor 28 any more in the  
 over summe.

Scholar. No; except you would part the 1 that  
 remaineth into 28 parts.

Master. That is well said, and so must we doe  
 in such cases, when there remaineth any thing:  
 but I will let that passe now, and will make you  
 perfect in division of whole numbers, and will  
 hereafter teach you particularly of broken numbers  
 called Fractions. Now if you doe perceive the or-  
 der of division, then doe you divide this summe  
 136280 by 452.

Scholar. First I set downe the number that  
 should be divided; then doe I set the Divisor un-  
 der the last figure of the over number. 136280  
 Then will it be thus, 452

Master. Can you take the last of your divisor  
 (which is 4) out of one which is the last of the  
 over number?

Scholar. I had forgotten, because the last of  
 the divisor cannot be taken out of the last of the  
 over number, in so much as it is the greater, there-  
 fore must I set the divisor one place 136280  
 more forward toward the right hand, 452  
 thus,

And then must I looke how often I may finde the last figure of the divisor (that is 4) in 13, which I may doe 3 times, therefore doe I say, 3 times 4 is 12, which I take out of 13, and there remaineth 1. Then doe I make at the right hand of my summes a crooked line, and write before it my Quotient 3, and I cancell 13 and 4, and over the 3 I set the 1 that remaineth, and then the figures stand thus.

Then I multiply the same Quotient into every figure of the Divisor, and withdraw the summe that amounteth out of the numbers over them, as first I say, 3 times 5 makes 15, which I take from 16, and there resteth 1, I cancell therefore 16 and 5, and write over the 6 that 1 that remaineth, thus.

Then doe I say likewise, 3 times 2 make 6, which I take out of 12 and there resteth 6, therefore I cancell the 12 and the 2 over, and then I write the 6 that remaineth, thus.

Then Should I set forward the Divisor into the next place toward the right hand thus.

Master. But you may see that over the 4 is no figure, therefore I must set the divisor yet forwarder by another place.

And marke, whensoever it chanceth so, that you should set forward the divisor, and that it cannot stand here, because there is no number over

the last place, or if there be any, it is lesser then the last figure of the divisor then must you remove the divisor, yet once again : and because that his first place of removing served not to subtract him so much as once, therefore you shall write in the Quotient a Cypher, and if you should by chance need to do so oft times, for every time write a Cypher in the Quotient. The reason of this will I shew you hereafter.

Scholar. Then must I set my sums  
thus.

And because I removed the divisor, so that I overskipped one place, I must write a Cypher in the Quotient : and then must I take a new Quotient, as in this example I must say, How many times 4 is there in 6? (and sith it can be but once) therefore doe I write 1 in the Quotient : and then say I, 1 time 4 taken out of 6, remaineth 2, I cancell the 6 and the 4, and write 2 over them, thus.

Then say I againe, once 5 out of 28, remaineth 23 : I let the 2 stand as it did, and over that 8 I set 3, cancelling the 8 and the 5 under it, thus.

Master. You might as well have said, once 5 out of 8, and so remaineth 3, but now go forward.

Scholar. When once 1 out of 0 cannot be : What shall I now do?

Master Borrow of the next number that is behind

hinde (for there is 230) and do as you learned in Subtraction in like case.

Scholar. Then must I borrow 1 out of the 3 coming behinde next, and make that 0 to be 10 and then take 3 2 out of 10, and  
 there resteth 8 : and because I  
 borrowed one of the 3, I must  
 cancell the 3, and write 2 over it,  
 then both the figure stand thus.

22  
 11638  
 236280(301  
 45222  
 455

Master. Now have you done, and yet remaineth 228, and your Quotient betweth you, that if you divide 136280 by 452, you shall finde your Divisor in your greater number 301, that is CCC times and once, and 228 remaining.

And in the other example (where I divided 365 by 28, the Quotient was 13, and 1 remained : whereby I knew that in a year (which containeth 365 dayes) there are 13 moneths, reckoning 28 dayes (or 4 weeks) full to a month, and 1 day more.

Scholar. Why then do we call a year but 12 moneths ?

Master. Of that at a more convenient time will I fully instruct you : but now it is not convenient to intangle your minds with other things then do directly pertain to your matter. Therefore if you remember what you have heard, you have learned a short manner of Division, which I would have you often to practise, so that you may be perfect in it, and hereafter I will shew you certaine other proper points touching it.

Scholar. When I pray you tell mee how I shall



examine and try my worke, whether I haue done well or no, that though no man be by to tell me, yet I may perceiue it my selfe.

Proof of  
Division:

Master. Some men, (yea and commonly most) doe try it by the rule of 9, as in all the other kindes, save that their order is ; First, they cast away 9 as often as they can out of the Divisor, and that that remaineth they set at one side of a Crosse, as in our first example the Divisor was 28, from which you may take 9 thre times, and 1 remaineth : which they set by a Crosse, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} \times \\ 1 \end{array}$$

Then they likewise examine the Quotient, (which in our example is 13) and from thence they cast away 9 as oft as they can, and the remainder they set at the other side of the Crosse, and then they multiply together those two remainers: and to it that amounteth they adde the remainder of the Division, if there were any, from that whole summe they withdraw 9 as oft as they can, and the rest they set at the head of the Crosse, as in our example, the Quotient is 13. from which take 9, and there remaineth onely 4, and therefore must you set 4 at the other side of the Crosse, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \times \\ 1 \end{array}$$

Then multiply 4 by 1, and it yaldeth but 4, thereto adde the remainder of the Division (which was 1) and it will be 5, which summe doth not amount to 9, and therefore must be set wholly at the head of the Crosse, as you see hear.

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 4 \times \\ 1 \end{array}$$

And this number on the head of the Crosse is the first proof, to which if you find another like in the number

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number that was divided, then you have done well.

Therefore now shall you likewise examine the whole summe that was divided, and take away 9 as often as you can, and that that remaineth, set at the foot of the Crosse: and if it be equall to that in the head of the Crosse, then have you done well, else not.

As in our example the whole summe was 365, which maketh 14, from that take 9, and there resteth 5, which set at the foot of the Crosse, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \times 1 \\ 5 \end{array}$$

And you shall see that they agree: therefore have you well done.

Now will I likewise examine our second example, where the Divisor was 452, which maketh 11; from thence I take 9, and the 2 that remaineth I set at the right side of the Crosse, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} \times 2 \end{array}$$

Then examine I the Quotient, which was 301, where I finde but onely 4: that I set at the other side of the Crosse, thus:

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \times 2 \end{array}$$

Then I multiply 4 by 2, and it maketh 8: to that I adde the remainer of the Division (which was 228, and it maketh 12) and they two make 20, wherein I find twice 9, and 2 remaining: that 2 must I set at the head of the Crosse, thus:

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 4 \times 2 \end{array}$$

Then I examine the whole number to be divided, which was 136280, where I finde twice 9 and 2 remaining, which I set at the foot of the Crosse, thus:

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 4 \times 2 \end{array}$$

And because it doth agree with the figure at the head of the Crosse, I know that the Division

Division

Division was well wrought.

**The Proof of Division** Master. This is the common proof: Now best, the more certain working is by the contrary kind: as to prove Division by Multiplication, thus:

multiply the quotient by the Divisor, and if the summe that amounteth be equal to the summe that should be divided, then have you well divided: else not.

Now best, this must you marke, that if there remained any thing after the Division, that must you adde to the summe that amounteth of the Multiplication. As in our first Example our Quotient was 13, and the Divisor was 28: Now multiply the one by the other, and the summe will be 364: to that if you adde the 1 that remained after the Division; then will it be 365, which was the sum that should be divided: and therefore I know that I have well done.

Scholar. Now will I prove the same in the second example, whose Divisor was 452, and the Quotient 301: these doe I multiply together, and there amounteth 136052: to which if I adde the 228 that remained, then will it be 136280. which was the whole summe to be divided: and therefore I perceibe that I have well done.

Master. This is the surest way to examine Division by Multiplication: and contrariwise, the surest proof of Multiplication is by Division.

And therefore (according to my promise) now will I shew you how you may prove Multiplication by Division.

**Proof of Multiplication by Division.**

When you have ended Multiplication, and would know whether you have well done or not, set the grosse

grosse summe that amounteth of the Multiplication overmost, and divide it by the Multiplier: and if the Quotient be the same number that Would be multiplied, then have you well wrought, else not, as in that example where we multiplied 264 by 29, the grosse summe was 7656.

Now if you will know whether that Multiplication be true, you shall divide that 7656 by the multiplier 29, and you shall perceive that the Quotient will be 264, and that is a token that you have well wrought.

Scholar. By your patience I will prove that, and first set downe the grosse summe and the multiplier, not after the rule of Multiplication, but after the rule of Division, for now that number is become the Divisor, that was before the Multiplier: I should set them therefore thus.

When shall I seek how many times 2 in 7, that may be three times, & one remaineth: but then may not 9 be found so often in 16? therefore must I take a lesser Quotient, that is to say 2: then say I, twice 2 maketh 4, which I take out of 7, and there remaineth 3, then do I cancell 7 and 2, and over 7 I write 3. and in the Quotient I set 2: so the figures stand thus.

Then say I further, two times 9 make 18, which I abate out of 36, and there resteth 18: then cancell I 3, and over him set 1, and likewise I cancell 6 and 9, and over them I set 8: so that thus stand the figures.

Then I set forward the Divisor by one place, and

and seek a new Quotient, that is to say, how many times 2 are in 18, which I finde to be 9 times: but then can I not finde 9 so many times in 5: but therefore I take a lesser Quotient, as to say 8: but yet that is too great: for if I take 8 times 2 out of 18, there remaineth but 2, & I cannot finde 8 times 9 in 25: therefore yet I take a lesse Quotient, that is 7, which is also too great; for if I take 7 times 2 out of 18, there resteth 4, but now I cannot take 7 times 9 out of 45, therefore yet I seek a lesser quotient, as to say 6, then say I 6 times 2 make 12, that I take out of 18, and there remaineth 6, so I cancell 18, and the 2, and write 6 over 8, thus:

16  
38  
7656 (26  
299  
2

Then say I forth, 6 times 9 maketh 54, that take I out of 65, and there remaineth 11, and the figures stand thus:

1  
16  
381  
7656 (26  
299  
2

Then must I set forth the Divisor again, and seek a new quotient, which will be 4: for though I may find 2 in a 11, 5 times, and 1 remain, yet I cannot find 9 so often in 6, therefore I set the figures thus:

1  
381  
7656 (264  
2999  
22

And the 4 in the quotient I multiply into the figures of the Divisor, saying foure times 2 makes 8, which I take out of 11, and there rests 3, therefore I cancell the 11, and the 2, and set 3 over the first place of 11, thus:

x  
381  
7656 (264  
2999  
22

And then doe I say forth, 4 times

9 maketh



9 maketh 36, which I take from 36, and there remaineth nothing, so that the Quotient of this Division also (where 7656 is divided by 29) is 264: which both declare, that if 264 be multiplied by 29, the summe will be 7656. And thus I perceiue now both Multiplication is proved by Division, and Division also by Multiplication.

Master. Now have I ended the five common kindes of Arithmetick: For (as touching Mediation, Duplation, Triplation, and such other) they are no severall kindes of Arithmetick, but are contained under the other. For Mediation is contained under Division, and is nothing else but dividing by 2: & so are Duplation and Triplation contained under Multiplication: for Duplation is nothing else but multiplying by 2, and Triplation is multiplying by 3, of which I will onely propose an example, for the Rules you have heard already.

If you would mediate, or divide into 2, this summe 4531010, you shall set 2 for the Divisor, and worke as you learned before, as 4531010 (thus:

An example of Mediation.

When I finde 2 in 4 two times, therefore my Quotient must be 2: so I cancel 4 and 2, and remove the Divisor forward thus, as the worke requireth, 4531010 (2265505 and as before in Division 2222222 hath been declared.

Which mediation or division by 2 being finished, you shall have for your Quotient 2265505, which is the halfe of 4531010, as you may try by Duplation; for double that Quotient, or multiply it by 2, and the same number will amount,

I will no longer tarry about these, seeing they are but members of the other kindes. But here now (according to my promise) I will teach you certain easie formes both of Multiplication and of Division. And first of Multiplication.

Easie  
formes of  
Multipli-  
cation.

If you would therefore multiply any summe by 10, you shall need to do no more but adde a Cypher before his first place; as for example, 36 multiplied by 10, make 360.

Likewise if you would multiply any summe by 100, put two Cyphers at his beginning. So if you would multiply any summe by 1000, adde three Cyphers to the beginning of it.

Scholar. This doe I well perceiue, and also the reason of it.

Master. I will omit all reasons till our next meeting, when I shall tell you the reason of all other parts of Arithmetick also: and as to our matter now, look, as I haue told you, that you both remember it, and also often practise it.

And now you haue learned how to multiply easily by 10, 100 1000: and of like manner may you do with any other of like sort.

But now if you will multiply by 20, 30, 40, and so forth, or by 200, 300, and such like, where there is one Cypher in the first place, or many orderly in the first places, you shall take away those Cyphers, and multiply the summe onely by the other figure or figures (if they be many) and then at the beginning of the summe that amounteth, you shall set so many Cyphers as you take away.

Example of 2873, which I would multiply by 300. First, I omit the 2 Cyphers from the Multiplier,

plier, and I multiply the summe by three onely that is left, and it amounteth to 8619 : before which I put the two Cyphers that I before omitted or took away, and then is it 861900. And that is the summe that amounteth when 2873 is multiplied by 300.

Scholar. And if there were two or more figures before the Cyphers, I must onely take away the Cyphers, and multiply by the other figures, as I learned before : As if I would multiply 93648 by 25000, I should take away the three Cyphers, and multiply the same by 25, & then at the beginning of that totall sum should I adde the 3 Cyphers again.

Master. Even so : but if it chance the number that should be multiplied, or both the summes, as well the number that should be multiplied as the multiplier, to have Cyphers in their first places, evermore omit the Cyphers and work by the rest. But remember to restore as many Cyphers to the amounting summe as you bated before. As in this example : 30200 shall be multiplied by 206, I shall onely take away two Cyphers from the greater number, and then multiply 302 by 206, and afterward adde the two Cyphers again. But if I would multiply the same 30200 by 2060 I shall not onely take away the two Cyphers from the number that should be multiplied, but also I may take away the one Cypher from the Multiplier, and then must I adde three Cyphers to the summe that amounteth : but take heed that you take away no Cypher that cometh after any signifying figure, as in the last example, you must not take away that in the fourth place of the higher number, neither

neither that in the third place of the multiplier  
howbest yet thus you may doe : If one Cypher or  
more come in the last of your summes, you may  
multiply the other figures, and overskip  
them : but so that you give every figure  
his due place : as thus, I will multiply  
3026 by 2004, therefore I set them thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3026 \\ 2004 \\ \hline 12104 \\ 52 \end{array}$$

And thus doe I multiply them. First 4 times 6  
make 24, I set 4 under the first place, and keepe  
the two still in my minde. Then say I againe, 4  
times 2 make 8, and the 2 that is in my minde  
maketh 10, I set downe the Cypher 0, and keepe  
the Article 1 in my minde : Then 4 times 0 is 0,  
and the 1 in my minde maketh 1, I set downe the  
figure 1, and say againe, 4 times 3 is 12, I set  
downe 2, and keeping the 1 still in my mind (hav-  
ing no more places of the upper number to multiply  
it withall) I put it downe next 2 in the fifth  
place.

But now when I come to the next place (be-  
ing a Cypher 0) I let it go, because it multiplieth  
nothing, and likewise the second Cypher.

But then when I come to the 2, I multiply it into  
the 6 of the over number, you must take heed (ac-  
cording as I taught you in Multiplication) that  
the first number amounting of the mul-  
tiplication be set right under the multi-  
plier, and the other orderly toward the  
left hand, according as you may see in  
this example, which being finished,  
with the addition thereof gathered to-  
gether, will stand as in this Example  
sheweth,

$$\begin{array}{r} 3026 \\ 2004 \\ \hline 12104 \\ 6052 \\ \hline 6064104 \end{array}$$

which

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Which is indeed wrought so much  
the lower and shorter by overskipp-  
ing of the two Cyphers: which other-  
wise, (if the same example were  
wrought at length) it would have  
had two workings more, as by the  
same example here also set down  
both appear.

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|-------|
| 3026  |
| 2004  |
| ----- |
| 12104 |
| 0000  |
| 0000  |
| 6052  |
| ----- |

Scholar. Sir I thanke you, for I  
see great ease in this way of Multiplication: and (if  
you can shew me such like in Division) you shall  
greatly further me.

Master. Yes, I will teach you some easie wayes  
in Division also, and first this: If you would  
divide any summe by 10, you shall onely with  
your pen make a square line between the first figure  
of your summe and the second, and then have you  
done: for the whole number that followeth the  
line, standeth for the Quotient, and the figure that  
is before the line, is the remainder: As for example,  
3648 divided by 10. Where 364 is 364 18  
the Quotient, and betokeneth that  
so many times are 10, in 3648, and the 8 after the  
line is the remainder, which cannot be divided into  
10, but by breaking it into Fractions, wherewith  
I will not meddle yet.

And so likewise if you would divide any summe  
by 100, with your Pen you shall cut away the two  
first figures, and if you would divide by 1000, you  
must cut away the three first figures, and so of any  
other divisor, whose last figure is 1, and the other  
Cyphers; looke how many Cyphers the divisor  
hath; and so many figures at the beginning shall  
you

Easie forms  
of division



you cut away with the square line, & they stand a-  
wayes for the remainder, because they are lesse then  
the divisor, and cannot be divided by it, and the o-  
ther figures that are behinde the line stand for the  
Quotient.

But now if your divisor have any other figure  
in his last place then 1, and in all his other places  
have Cyphers, looke how many Cyphers they be, cut  
away so many of the first figures of the number  
that should be divided, and divide the rest that  
followeth the line by that figure that is in the last  
place, as if it were the whole divisor.

Example of 64284, which I would divide by  
300, here must I cut away the two first figures,  
(for so many cyphers my divisor hath) & must divide  
the rest by 3, which is the figure in the last place  
of the divisor. First, therefore I part  
away the two first figures, and the  $642 \overline{) 84}$  (2  
summe standeth thus :  $3 \overline{) 00}$

Then do I divide 642 by 3, and the Quotient  
is 214: for in 6 I finde twice 3, and in 4 once, &  
1 remaining, which 1 with the 2 next before, doth  
make 12, wherein I finde 3 foure times: And this  
is a ready way to turn shillings into pounds: for  
sith one pound doth contain 20 shillings, I must  
divide the whole number of shillings by 20. There-  
fore easily do I see that my divisor hath one cy-  
pher, and therefore I cut away one figure from the  
beginning of the whole summe of shillings, and  
then I do mediate or divide by the other figures  
of summe that followeth.

Scholar. I will put an example.

If you would divide 64287 shillings, by 20 :  
that

that is to say, If I would turn so many shillings into pounds, I must cut away the first figure, that is 7, and divide the rest, that is 6428 by 2, so shall the Quotient be 3214, whereby I know that 6428 shillings make 3214 pounds, and 7 shillings remaining.

Master. Now prove by Multiplication whether you have well done or no.

Scholar. The Quotient is 3214, which I do multiply, by the divisor 2, and it doth amount to 6428.

Master. Hereby you may perceive not onely that you have well done, but also how by Division you may turn shillings easily into pounds: and contrariwise by Multiplication you may turn pounds into shillings.

But here shall you see amongst divers men divers forms of such division: but if you marke what I have told you, you shall perceive easily all the wayes. For some men doe not cut away so many of the first figures of the summe that they would divide, as there are Cyphers in the first place of the divisor: but they set all their Cyphers orderly under the first places of the Number that they would divide: and then with the other figure or figures, (if there be many) they divide the rest of their summe.

Example. If they would divide 725931 by 3400, they doe set their summs thus: 34 00

And then do they divide orderly till they come to the Cyphers: for there they stay and end their worke, as in this example.

They seek how often 3 may be found in 7, which

is two times, and 1 remaining :  
therefore they set 2 in the quo-  
tient, & cancell 3 & 7, & over 7 they  
set the 1 that remaineth thus :  
Then doe I goe forth, saying, two  
times 4 maketh 8, which they take  
out of 12, & there remaineth 4, thus :

Then remove they the divisor  
forward, & seeke how often 3 may  
be found in 4, which is but once,  
and 1 remaineth, then set they 1  
in the Quotient, & cancell 3 & 4, &  
over them they set that 1, thus :

Then take they once 4 out of  
15, & there resteth 11. Or else more  
easily : Take once 4 out of 5, and  
there resteth 1 : so they cancell the  
4 and 5, and set 1 over them, thus :

Then set they forth the divisor  
again, and seek how many times  
3 are in 11, which they finde three  
times, and 2 remaining : so they  
set 3 in the Quotient, and cancell  
11 & 3, & over them set 2, thus :

Then doe they multiply 4 by 3,  
which maketh 12, that with 22  
they out of 29 & there resteth 17,  
of which the 7 must be set over  
the 9, and the 1 over the 2 thus :

And now are the two Cyphers next ensuing, so that  
the divisor can no more be set forward, & therefore  
is the division ended, & the remainder is 1731. Now  
the Quotient which is 213, both declare that it was  
divided

1  
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34 00

14  
725931 (2  
34 00

1  
14  
725931 (1  
344 00  
3

1  
141  
725931 (11  
344 00  
3

12  
141  
725931 (113  
344400  
33

1  
12  
1417  
725931 (113  
344400  
33

divide 725931 by 3400, you shall find it therein 213 times, & there remaineth 1731. so shall you find it, if you work as I taught you, by cutting away the two first figures, because of the two Cpyhers. But this must you mark (as you may perceiue by this last example) that if there be left any other Remainder in the sum that was behind the square line that the Remainder must be set to the latter end of the first remainder, which was cut away with the square line: as

Note.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1 \\
 22 \overline{) 2417} \\
 725931 \quad (213 \\
 3444 \\
 33
 \end{array}$$

so that 17 which remaineth after the line, must be set to the 31 (that was cut away with the line) in higher places, as you see here: where that 17 with the 31, do make 1731.

Scholar. Sir, is there no other tozm of division in practise but this?

M. Yes verily, there are other tozms in practise, but because I love brevity, I will declare onely one, which I first learned of, and is practised by that worthy Mathematician, my ancient & especial loving friend, Master Henry Bridges wherein not any one figure is defaced or cancelled. As if I should divide 72 by 6, first place them thus.

When if you please you may write the divisor in a loose paper that it may more easily without cancelling or defacing of the worke be applied to, and removed from the dividend at pleasure; then apply your divisor 6 to 7. the first figure of the

3

dividend

Write the Divisor in a loose paper, to remove at pleasure.

dividend, and enquire how oft it may be had in 7, and seeing 6 is but once in 7, set 1 in the Quotient line, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 1 \end{array}$$

Then multiply the divisor 6, by the quotient 1, and set the Product 6 under 7, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 1 \\ 6 \end{array}$$

Then draw a line under 6, and subtract 6 out of 7, setting the remainder 1 under 6, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 1 \\ \underline{6} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

When bring down the next figure of the dividend, & set it with the Remainder 1 under the line, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 1 \\ \underline{6} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

And bring the moveable divisor 6 under the 2, and as before enquire how oft 6 is in 12, and finding it to be twice in 12, set 2 in the Quotient, thus :

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 12 \\ \underline{6} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

And multiply 6 by that new Quotient 2, setting the Product 12 under the other 12, and subtracting it out of the upper number, there resteth nothing.

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{) 72} 12 \\ \underline{12} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

And since the unites of this Product do stand under the unites of the dividend, the division is ended: otherwise you should proceed as before, bringing down the next figure; removing the divisor, dividing, multiplying, subtracting, &c.

Schol. This is very easie; but if there be greater numbers propounded, is the operation the same?

Master. If the numbers be never so great, the worke is the same without any difference, as shall appear by this example.

Divide 7890 by 33.

$$33 \overline{) 7890}$$

First set them thus: then bring the divisor under 78, and see how oft it is there found, which is twice, and therefore set 2 in the Quotient, by which

$$33 \overline{) 7890} 2$$



multiply the divisor 33, and set the Product 66 under 78, and subduct it out of it thus.

Then bring the next figure 33)7890(239  
9 down, and set it with the Remainder 12, it maketh 129, and removing the divisor 33 thereto, enquire how often 33 is contained in 129, & I finde it but thrice, (though at the first it made a show of more) therefore set 3 in the Quotient, and multiplying 33 by 3, set the product under 129, subducting that product out of the number above, and proceed as before.

$$\begin{array}{r} 66 \\ 129 \\ 99 \\ \hline 300 \\ 297 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

Then shall you finde the Divisor 9 times in the Remainder, therefore seeing 9 in the Quotient, multiply, and subduct as before, and at the last you shall find onely 2 remaining, which must be set above a line after the Quotient, and the Divisor under, as above appeareth.

Scholar. Is there no more difficulty in the whole Rule?

Master. Not any, although your Number be never so great, as before I have said.

¶ And here will I make an end of Division, (saying that I doe request you to exercise your selfe well herein by many summes, till you have attained some expertnesse therein.)

For the reasons & conclusions thereof are so many, and so available for all sorts of men whatsoever; that if I should speak of the infinite uses thereof, I should rather lack words then matter. And therefore recommending it to your judgement hereafter, upon your further travell into the Art, I will here enp

this Treatise, representing unto you one example, or simple question of Division and Multiplication, in stead of many, which is this.

A question  
of shoot-  
ing in Or-  
dinance.

There are foure brasse Peeces : The first of them at a shot spendeth 9 pounds of powder, the second spendeth 5 pounds, the third 4 pounds, and the fourth 2 pounds. They are all appointed against the battery of a Hold and there is allowed by the Master Gunner 700 pounds of powder to be spent by these foure Peeces, in this assault. The question is twofold. The first how many shot each Peece shall safely make about with this 700 pounds of powder? And lastly, how many pounds of powder ought safely to be allowed to each Peece for his true proportion?

Scholar. Well Sir, you make me smile, to beate mee in hand, that these two demands may be simply resolved by Multiplication and Division.

Master. Truly that they may, and that you may by and by worke your selfe with a little labour: First adde together their quantitties of powder, that is 9 pounds, 5 pounds, 4 pounds, and 2 pounds, all which make 20: Divide the 700 pounds of powder by that 20, and your Quotient sheweth 35, as here appeareth, 700 which sheweth so, most certainly that 20/2(35 they shall make fast 35 shootes about.

Scholar. Sir, all this have I done, and I see it is so, but whether it be true or not, I cannot tell.

Master. To try the truth of the same, multiply the first peece that spends 9 pounds by 35, and you shall see his allowance, which is 315 pounds of powder. Multiply also the second peece that spends

spends 5 pounds by 35, & you shall finde 175 pounds  
his allowance: then 4 by 35, and you shall finde  
140 pounds his allowance. Lastly, multiply 2 by  
35 and you shall finde 70 pounds his al- 315  
lowance. All which four particular sums 175  
you shall adde together by Addition, as 140  
here appeareth, and it maketh just 700 70  
pounds, and so is the question truly ab-  
solved. 700

Scholar. Truly Sir, these excellent conclusi-  
ons doe wonderfully more and more make me in-  
love with the Art.

Master. It is an Art, that the further you tra-  
vell, the more you thirst to goe on forward. Such a  
fountaine, that the more you draw, the more it  
springs: and to speake absolutely, in a word (ex-  
cepting the study of Divinity, which is the salvari-  
on of our Soules) there is no study in the world com-  
parable to this, for delight in wonderfull and godly  
exercise; for the skill hereof is well known imme-  
diately to have flowed from the wisdom of God  
into the heart of man, whom he hath created the  
chefe image and instrument of his praise & glory.

Scholar. The desire of knowledge doth great-  
ly encourage me to be studious herein: and there-  
fore I pray you cease not to instruct me further  
in the use hereof.

Master. With a good will. And now therefore  
for the further use of these two latter, that is, Multi-  
plication and Division, I will briefly shew you the  
seat of Reduction.

Reduction.

## Reduction.

Reduction  
what it is.



**R**eduction is by which all summes of grosse Denomination may be turned into summes of more subtile Denomination. And contrariwise all summes of subtile Denomination may be brought to summes of grosser Denomination.

Grosse de-  
nominati-  
on.

Scholar. What call you grosse Denomination, and subtile Denomination?

Subtile de-  
nominati-  
on.

Master. What I call a grosse Denomination, which doth containe under it many other subtile or smaller : as a pound (in respect to shillings) is a grosse Denomination : for it is greater then shillings, and containeth many of them. And shillings (in comparison to pounds) are a subtile Denomination, for because they are lesser then pounds, & many of them are contained in one of the other : and so likewise of other things : whatsoever thing is compared to other, if it be greater and containeth many of them, it is a grosse Denomination, but if it be lesser (so that many of them are in the other) then are they called the subtile Denominations : whereby you may perceiue that one Denomination may be called a grosse Denomination, and also a subtile (that is to say a great, and small) in diuerse comparisons. For shillings compared to pounds, are a subtile or small Denomination : but compared to pence they are a grosse, or great Denomination.

Scholar, Now I understand the name, I pray you teach me the use.

Master, The use is easily learned, if you remember

member what you have learned before. For if you will reduce any summe of a grosse Denomination into a summe of a smaller or subtiler Denomination, you must consider how many of that subtiler Denomination do make one of the grosser Denomination, and by that number or numerator doe ye multiply the summe. As if you would reduce 30 pounds into shillings, you must consider that in a pound are included 20 shillings, therefore multiply the one 20 by the other 20, and there will amount 400, whereby you may know that in 20 pounds are contained 400 shillings. Likewise, if you would reduce 30 shillings into pence, considering that in a shilling are 12 pence, you must multiply 30 by 12, and it will be 360, whereby you may finde that in 30 shillings are contained 360 pence. And thus may you reduce any grosse Denomination into a more subtiler, by Multiplication, if you know how many of the lesser doe make the greater: of which thing I will anon give you a brief Table for the most accustomed kinds of Money, Weights, Measures, and Time, and such like: whereby you may know how often each subtiler Denomination is contained in the grosser, when you shall need it for the foresaid kinde of Reduction. And also the same shall serbe you, if you would reduce any summe of a subtiler Denomination, into a summe of a greater Denomination. For in such Reduction you must consider (as in the other form) how many of the smaller doe make the greater: and by that number you must divide the other summe, and the Quotient will declare how many of the greater Denomination are comprehended in that summe:

To reduce  
grosse de-  
nominati-  
on to sub-  
tile.



as for example; If you would know how many shillings are contained in 3240 d. consider that 12 pence doe make 1 s. you must divide that 3240 by 12, and your Quotient will be 270, whereby you may know that so many shillings are in 3240 d. But if you would know further how many pounds are in these 270 shillings seeing that every pound containeth 20 shillings: divide that 270 by 20, and it will be 13 and 10 remaining, whereby you may know, that in 3240 d. (or 270 shillings) are 13 pounds and 10 shillings. For evermore the Remainer must be named by the name, or Denomination of that summe that was divided, which in this place were shillings. And thus may you do with any other kinds of Denominations.

¶ Wherefore, to the intent you may have certain light or knowledge in most common Coynes, Weights and Measures, (which is the chief and principallest thing in trafficke to be known) I have in each Reduction, as they come in order, set downe certain instructions incident thereunto. And first I have hereunto added this Table, wherein is comprehended, not onely our currant and common coynes, but also the most part of the usuall coynes of Christendome, with their just weights and value currant in the Realme of England, intending at the latter end of my Addition to this Book, to write of the ordinary Money used in divers places, and their common values currant for traffick, with the manner of their exchanges from place to place, &c.

A Table of the names, and now valuation of the most usuall Gold-coyns throughout Christendom, with their severall weight of pence and Graines : and what they are worth of currant English money, this present year 1630.

| The names & titles of the Golde. | The weight in Pence. Graines. |       | The value in Shil. Pence. |         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|---------|
| Great Soverain,                  | 10                            | 0     | 33                        | 0       |
| Double Sover. K. H.              | 8                             | 1     | 22                        | 0       |
| Double Sov. of Q. E.             | 7                             | 7     | 22                        | 0       |
| Royall.                          | 4                             | 23    | 16                        | 6       |
| Half Royall.                     | 2                             | 1d.   | 8                         | 3       |
| Old Noble.                       | 4                             | 6     | 14                        | 8       |
| Half Noble.                      | 2                             | 3     | 7                         | 4       |
| Angell.                          | 3                             | 8     | 11                        | 0       |
| Half Angell.                     | 1                             | 16    | 5                         | 6       |
| Salute.                          | 2                             | 5     | 6                         | 11 ob.  |
| 2 parts of Salute.               | 1                             | 11    | 4                         | 7       |
| George Noble.                    | 3                             | 0     | 9                         | 9 ob.   |
| Half George Noble.               | 1                             | 11    | 4                         | 11 ob.  |
| First Crown K. H.                | 2                             | 9     | 6                         | 11 ob.  |
| Base Crown K. H.                 | 2                             | 0     | 5                         | 6       |
| Sover. K. H. best.               | 2                             | 14    | 11                        | 8 ob. q |
| Soverain K. H.                   | 4                             | 0     | 11                        | 0       |
| Edward Sover.                    | 3                             | 15 d. | 11                        | 0       |
| Elizabeth Sover.                 | 3                             | 15 d. | 11                        | 0       |
| Elizabeth Crown.                 | 1                             | 9     | 5                         | 6       |
| Half Crown.                      | 0                             | 19    | 2                         | 9       |
| Unite.                           | 0                             | 12    | 22                        | 0       |
| Double Crown.                    | 3                             | 6     | 11                        | 0       |
| Britain Crown.                   | 1                             | 1     | 5                         | 6       |
| Thistle Crown.                   | 1                             | 7     | 4                         | 4 ob. q |

Half

| The names & titles<br>of the Gold. | The weight in<br>Pence. Grains. |      | The value in<br>Shil. Pence. |   |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------------------------------|---|
| Half Crown.                        | 0                               | 19d. | 2                            | 9 |
| Crosse Dagger.                     | 3                               | 6d.  | 11                           | 0 |
| Half Crosse Dagger.                | 1                               | 15   | 5                            | 6 |
| Rose Royall                        | 0                               | 21   | 33                           | 0 |
| Spur Royall.                       | 4                               | 10d. | 16                           | 0 |
| The Angell.                        | 2                               | 23d. | 11                           | 0 |
| Half Angell.                       | 1                               | 11d. | 5                            | 6 |

*All the severall pieces of gold heretofore mentioned, are set down according to their valuation by the Kings Majesties Proclamation for Gold, Dated the 23 of November, 1611.*

A table of forain Gold coyn, according to their ancient valuation and severall weight in Pence. and Grains.

| The names & titles<br>of the Gold. | The weight in<br>Pence. Graines. |    | The value in<br>Shil. Pence. |   |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----|------------------------------|---|
| Unicorn of Scot.                   | 2                                | 10 | 6                            | 0 |
| Scottish Crown.                    | 2                                | 5  | 6                            | 0 |
| French Noble.                      | 4                                | 16 | 13                           | 4 |
| All sorts of French<br>Crowns.     | 2                                | 5  | 6                            | 0 |
| Flanders Riders.                   | 2                                | 6  | 6                            | 6 |
| Gelders Riders.                    | 2                                | 2  | 3                            | 6 |
| Philips Royall.                    | 2                                | 10 | 10                           | 0 |
| Philips Corwne.                    | 2                                | 5  | 5                            | 0 |
| Collen Gilden.                     | 2                                | 2  | 4                            | 8 |
| New And. Gild.                     | 2                                | 2  | 5                            | 0 |

*Flanders*

| <i>Flanders Noble.</i>                             | 4 | 10  | 12 | 0  |
|----------------------------------------------------|---|-----|----|----|
| <i>Half Flan. Noble.</i>                           | 2 | 6   | 6  | 0  |
| <i>Flan. Angel best.</i>                           | 3 | 6   | 2  | 0  |
| <i>Flan. Royallorke.</i>                           | 3 | 10  | 10 | 0  |
| <i>Carolus Gilden.</i>                             | 0 | 12  | 3  | 6  |
| <i>Flanders Royall.</i>                            | 2 | 6   | 5  | 0  |
| <i>Saxon Gilden.</i>                               | 2 | 2   | 4  | 8  |
| <i>Flanders Crowne.</i>                            | 2 | 5   | 6  | 0  |
| <i>Philips Gilden.</i>                             | 2 | 3   | 4  | 2  |
| <i>Half Phil. Gilden</i>                           | 1 | 1   | 2  | 1  |
| <i>Golden Lion.</i>                                | 2 | 16  | 7  | 8  |
| <i>3 parts of gold &amp; Liö</i>                   | 0 | 21  | 2  | 5  |
| <i><math>\frac{1}{3}</math> parts of gol. Lion</i> | 1 | 19  | 4  | 11 |
| <i>Dauids Gilden.</i>                              | 2 | 2   | 4  | 0  |
| <i>Horne Gilden.</i>                               | 1 | 12  | 4  | 11 |
| <i>Old under Gilden.</i>                           | 2 | 3   | 4  | 10 |
| <i>Crusa. long Crosse.</i>                         | 2 | 6   | 6  | 0  |
| <i>Crusa. short crosse.</i>                        | 2 | 6   | 6  | 2  |
| <i>Milreys.</i>                                    | 4 | 20  | 1  | 4  |
| <i>Half Milreys.</i>                               | 2 | 10  | 6  | 8  |
| <i>Portague 1 ounce.</i>                           | 2 | 16  | 68 | 0  |
| <i>Golden Castile.</i>                             | 2 | 23  | 8  | 10 |
| <i>Ducket of Aragon.</i>                           | 2 | 6   | 6  | 6  |
| <i>Hungary Ducket.</i>                             | 2 | 7   | 6  | 4  |
| <i>Double Pistolct.</i>                            | 4 | 9   | 11 | 8  |
| <i>Single Pistolct.</i>                            | 2 | 4d. | 5  | 10 |
| <i>Ducket of Florcn.</i>                           | 2 | 5   | 6  | 4  |
| <i>Double Ducket</i>                               | 4 | 11  | 13 | 0  |
| <i>Single Ducket.</i>                              | 2 | 6   | 6  | 6  |
| <i>Double duc. of Rde</i>                          | 4 | 13  | 12 | 8  |

*It is to be understood (gentle Reader) that whereas  
in these Tables, the weight is called by the name of a  
penny*

penny, it is not ment a penny of silver money, but a penny of Gold-smiths weight, which containeth 24 Barley-corns. Concerning which see Troy weight in folio 133.

So if a man have not the weight wherewith to weigh any peece of gold, he may do it with barley-corns, being dry, and as it is said, folio 133.

The prices of Gold which the bringers in of forrain Gold shall receive at the Mint, according to the Kings Majesties Proclamation Dated the 14 of May, Anno 1612.

|                                                                                                     |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| For an ounce of <i>French</i> crowns<br>being 22 Karacts fine. —————                                | } 3 li. 6s.     |
| For every ounce of <i>Spanish</i> Pistols,<br>being 21 Karacts, 3 grains and a<br>half fine. —————  | } 3 li. 6s.     |
| For Duckets of <i>Spaine</i> , being 23<br>Karacts, 1 grain fine at least the<br>ounce. —————       | } 3 li. 8s. 8d. |
| For Milreas <i>Crusado</i> long crosse.<br>Crusado short crosse. the ounce. ———                     | } 3 li. 6s. 2d. |
| For <i>Hungary</i> Duckets being 23<br>Karacts, 1 grain fine at least the<br>ounce. —————           | } 3 li. 9s. 2d. |
| For the Checkeen of <i>Venice</i> , being 23<br>Karacts, 1 graine fine at least the<br>ounce. ————— | } 3 li. 10s.    |
| For <i>Barbary</i> Gold being 23 Karacts<br>& di. grain fine, at the least the ounce.               | } 3 li. 9s.     |

¶ And if the said *Barbary* Gold be of lesse fineness,  
abatement to be made according to the rate.



For Sultaines being 23 Kareets, 1 } 3 li. 8s. 8d.  
 Graiue fine at least the ounce. ————

For all other Gold, being 22 Kareets } 3 li. 6s.  
 fine the ounce. ————

¶ And being finer, a greater price according to that rate, and being coarser, a less, so that the bringer in supply the lesse fine with the more fine, in such sort, that in the totall it makes good the same rate of 22 Kareets fine.

The Price of Silver, which the bringers in of forain Silver shall receive at the Mint, according to the Kings Majesties aforesaid Proclamation.

For the ounce of Spanish Silver } 5 s.  
 money of Seville. ————

For the ounce of Mexico money. ———— } 4 s. 10d.

For Ingots of Silver, being 11 ounces, } 5 s.  
 2d. weight fine according to the Standard of England, the ounce. ————

¶ And for other Silver of more finenesse, a better price according to that rate, and for coarser a lesse: so that the bringer in supply the lesse fine with the more fine, in such sort, that in the totall it makes good the said rate of 11 ounces, 2 pence weight fine, according to the Standard of England.

Of Silver Coyues currant in this Realme.

The Edward crown of 5 s.

The Edward half-crown of 2 s. 6 d.

The Edward shilling, half shilling, and the three pence.

Philip and Maries shilling, and half shilling.

The Mary groat, and Mary two pence.

Queen Elizabeths shilling 9 d. 6 d. 4 d. 3 d. 2 d. 1d.  
 three farthings, and half penny.

Here would I now expresse the values of sundry other Coyues of divers Countries, but for  
 I three

three causes I now refraine. The first and chiefest is because they are not currant by the statutes of this Realme. Another cause is, by reason they are so uncertaine, that they be never long at one rate. And againe, they are so different in so many places, that it were matter enough for a great Booke to speak sufficiently of them all. Notwithstanding, because you shall not be altogether ignorant of them, I will shew you the values of some that are most in use, and first of France.

French  
Coynes.

The most common Money are Deniers, Soulx, and Frankes: 12 Deniers make 1 shilling, 20 Soulx make 1 Frank: so that as you see these three kinds are like in the rate to pence, shillings and pounds with us; but that this is the difference, that their Denier is but the ninth part of our penny, & so their Soulx (commonly called Soules) goe 9 to our shilling, and 9 of their Frankes to an English pound of money. So that three of their Frankes make a Noble. And by these three you may practise how to reduce French money into English money, according as I have set forth here following.

|      |                |                             |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 2160 | } Deniers make | 240 d. 02 20 s.             |
| 3240 |                | 360 d. 02 30 s.             |
| 8352 |                | 928 d. 02 3 li. 17 s. 4. d. |

2160 Soulx make 240 shillings. And so of other in like rate. As for the rest of their Coynes I omit them till hereafter that you have some understanding in broken numbers.

Flanders  
Coynes

But now as for the Coynes of Flanders, they be so changeable, that you must know them from time to time, else you cannot reduce them into our money certainly: but yet that you have an example

ample of their money to exercise you withall, you shall take those that be most common : as Stivers both single and double, Groates Flemish, Carolus and Gyldens. A Flemish Groat is a little abode 3 farthings English. A single Stiver is 1d. ob. q. half farthing. The double Stiver Carolus is 4d. ob. halfe farthing. Then there is also the Carolus Gylden which is worth 10 Stivers. And the Flemish Noble is worth 3 Carolus Gyldens, and 12 Stivers.

So that if you would convert Flemish money or any other kinde of money whatsoever it be, justly into Sterling, you must reduce it first into the smallest part of English money that is in that Coyne. As for example : If I would reduce 368 double Stivers into English money (considering that a double Stiver containeth 3d. farthing) you shall first looke how many farthings be in the double Stiver, and you shall finde them 13, therefore multiply the summe of the Stivers by 13, and then have you their value in farthings, which is 4784. Now if you divide that by 4. then there will appear the number of pence : but better it were to divide it by 48 (for so many farthings are in one shilling) and then will the Quotient declare the summe of 4 li. 19 s. 8 d.

Likewise if you would reduce any summe of single Stivers into English money, you must multiply the summe first by 13, and then have you reduced them into a certaine summe, that is to wist, half-farthings, which summe if you divide by 8, then will amount the summe of pence : or if you divide it by 96, the summe of shillings will appear.

But marke this in all Division: when ye reduce to bring one Denomination into another, if there be any Remainder after the Division, that must be named by the Denomination of the grosse sum that was divided. As for example, I would bring 254 farthings into pence, therefore I divide that 254 by 4 (for so many farthings make a penny) and the Quotient is 63, which is the summe of the pence, and then remaineth yet 2, which are farthings still, as one may prove by dividing. And this must be marked in all Division, namely, when it is done for Reduction;

Note well.

Danks  
Money.

¶ Touching Danks Money, they have their Soules, whereof 70 is a Liver which is 2 shillings sterling. They have also their Grash whereof 80 make a Gilden, which is 4 shillings sterling. They have also Dollors, & their common or old Dollar is 35 Grash. New Dollors they have which be others, some valued at 24 Grash, some at 26, and some at 30. And thus much I thought good to add to the Author, touching Danks Money.

Spanish  
Money.

Concerning Spanish Money, whereof the most common are Cornadoes, Marveides, Marvide, 4 Marveides make a Ryall, and 11 Ryalls make one Ducket, so the Ducket containeth 374 Marveides, which is about 5 shillings 10 pence sterling. Therefore if you would convert 124 li. 5 s. sterling into Duckets, consider that pence is the last value or Denomination named in this question: therefore reduce 124 li 5 s into pence, and it maketh 29820 pence: which if you divide by pence that a Ducket is worth, (which is 70) you shall have for your Quotient 426 Duckets your desire.

In Venice they have Bettres, Souldyes, Lieure 5 Venice Bettres make an English penny, 60 Bettres a Shilling, Money. which is 2 Souldyes, and 20 Souldyes a Lieure of Venice which is a pound sterling.

Thus much have I said of Money : Now will I Weights. shew you in the like sort the distinction of weights.

After a Statute made anno 11 H. 7. there ought to be but one sort of weight, as 24 Barley-cornes dry and taken out of the midst of the Ear, do make a penny weight, 20 of these penny weights make an Ounce; 12 Ounces a pound of Troy weight, by which is weighed Bread, Gold, Silver, Pearle, Silke, and such like. But commonly there is used another weight called Haberdupoise; in which 16 Ounces make a pound. Therefore when you would reduce Ounces into Pounds, you must consider whether your weight be Troy weight or Haberdupoise: and if it be Troy weight you must divide your Ounces by 12, Haberdupoising them to Pounds, but if it be Haberdupoise, you must divide them by 16. Now againe, there be greater weights, which are called a hundred, halfe a hundred, and a quarterne, and also a halfe quarterne, &c.

Scholar. Why? so there may be reckoned 20 Pound, 40 Pound, 200 Pound, and such innumerable.

Master. All these are numbers of weight, but they have not common weights made to their rate as the other have. And again, these that I did name are not just in number as they seem by their names: for an hundred is not just 100, but is 112 pound. And so the half hundred is 56, the quarterne 28, and the half quarter 14.



And these be the common weights used in most things that are sold by weight.

Wooll  
Weights.  
Todde  
Stone.

Howbeit there are in some things other names, as in Wool 28 pound is not called a quarterne: but a Todde: and 14 pound is not named half a quarterne, but a Stone, and the 7 pound half a Stone. Other names because they differ in many places, and agree in few, I let them passe.

Sack of  
Wooll.

But a sack of Wooll by the Statutes is limited to be 26 Stone.

Cheese  
weights.

Now in Cheese, though it be sold by the hundred, and by the Stone in some places, yet the very weights of it are Cloves, and Weyes. So that a Clove containeth 8 pound, and a Weye 32 Cloves, which is 256 pound, that is 12 score and 16 pound, and so much weigheth the Weye of Suffolk Cheese, and the like is or should be the Barrel of Suffolk Butter.

The Weye of Essex Cheese containeth six score and sixteen pound: and so much is also the Barrel of Essex Butter.

Moreover this weight is used by the Apothecaries in their Physicall composition, and mixture in medicine, wherein the least is a grain,

The Apo-  
thecaries  
weights.

|     |   |            |   |           |   |                                     |     |    |
|-----|---|------------|---|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|-----|----|
| And | { | 20 Graines | { | A Scruple | { | thus<br>cha-<br>rac-<br>ter-<br>ed. | {   | 20 |
|     |   | 3 Scruples |   | A Drachme |   |                                     |     | 3  |
|     |   | 8 Dragmes  |   | or Dragme |   |                                     |     | 3  |
|     |   | 16 Ounces  |   | An Ounce  |   |                                     |     | 3  |
|     |   |            |   | A Pound.  |   |                                     | lb. |    |

Measures  
for liquor  
A Pint.  
Gallon.

Now of weights are made other measures both for grain and liquor. For a pound in Troy weight maketh a pint in measure, so that 8 pound or 8 pines doe make a gallon: half a gallon is named a pottle, and

and half a pottle is called a quart, which containeth two pints: Now above a gallon the next measure is a Firkin: then the Tertian a Kilderkin, or half a Barrell, and a Barrel: And by these measures are sold commonly Ale, Beere, Wine, and Oyle, Butter and Soap, Salmon, Herrings, and Ecles.

But as these be unlike things, so the measures of their vessels doe differ, so the measures of them all are as followeth.

|         |               |            |    |          |                |
|---------|---------------|------------|----|----------|----------------|
| Of Ale  | The firkin    | containeth | 8  | Gallons. | Ale measures.  |
|         | The kilderkin |            | 16 |          |                |
|         | The barrell   |            | 32 |          |                |
| Of Beer | The firkin    | containeth | 9  | Gallons. | Beer measures. |
|         | The kilderkin |            | 18 |          |                |
|         | The barrell   |            | 36 |          |                |

Sope measures, both Firkin, Kilderkin, and Barrel should be equal to Ale measure.

Moreover the Statutes do limite the weight of every of those three vessels being empty.

|                 |       |    |         |
|-----------------|-------|----|---------|
| A barrell       | to    | 26 | Pounds. |
| Halfe a barrell | weigh | 13 |         |
| A firkin        | empty | 6½ |         |

Herrings also sold by the same measures that Ale and Sope be sold by.

Herrings are sold by the tale, 120 to the hundred, ten thousand to the Last.

Salmon and Ecles have a greater measure.

|                |              |         |     |          |                 |
|----------------|--------------|---------|-----|----------|-----------------|
| Salmon & Ecles | The butte    | boldeth | 84  | Gallons. | Salmon & Ecles. |
|                | The barrell  |         | 42  |          |                 |
|                | Half barrell |         | 21  |          |                 |
|                | The firkin   |         | 10½ |          |                 |

Howbeit, some Statutes did limite Ecle vessels equal with Herring vessels.

Wine  
measures.

Now as for wine vessels they are seldome smaller then Hogheads which are of 63 Gallons: Every Hoghead, is two Barrels: yet there are many other wine vessels, but of them all see this Table; and marke the measures one by another.

|                     |   |                          |   |                 |   |          |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------|---|-----------------|---|----------|
| Of wine<br>and oyle | { | The runlet               | { | 18 <sup>1</sup> | } | Gallons. |
|                     |   | The barrell              |   | 31 <sup>1</sup> |   |          |
|                     |   | The hoghead              |   | 63              |   |          |
|                     |   | The tertian <sup>1</sup> |   | 84              |   |          |
|                     |   | The pipe                 |   | 126             |   |          |
|                     |   | The tunne                |   | 252             |   |          |

Tertians.

But you shall marke that there be other kinds of Tertians: for there be Tertians, (that is to say) Thirds of pipes, of hogheads, and of barrells, as well as other things as of wine.

Also Malmeyes, and Sacke, &c. the half Tun is not called a Pipe, but rather a Butte.

A Butte.

And thus much have I thought meet to tell you at this time.

Scholar. And is that alwayes true?

Master. I have told you how it should be, but how it is, I may not say: how they doe differ daily from their just measure, that Gaugiers can tell you better then I. But I will let this passe now, and speak bytely of the other measure.

Drie mea-  
sures.

And as of weights there did spring the liquid measures (whereof I spake last) so of the same springeth dry measures, as Pecks, Bushels, Quarters, and such like, whereby are measured corne and like grains, also Salt, Lime, Coals, and other like. And this is the order and quantity of them.

A pecke is the measure of two Gallons.

*A bushell* } *four pecks.*  
*A quarter* } containeth } *eight bushells.*  
*A wey* } } *six quarters.*

*A Bushell*  
*A Quarter.*  
*A Wey.*

These are the common names and measures, but in divers places there be divers sorts.

The Bushell in many places is two bushells, but then is that bushell there called a strike : and in some places half a quarter is called a Cornock. But those diversities are too many to tell you briefly them all, and again, sith they are against the Law and statutes, I count them unmeet to be used.

*Strike.*  
*Cornock*

But now remaineth yet another kinde of measures, whereby men mete length, breadth and thicknesse, and those are, an Inch, a Foot, & such other : whose names and quantitties this Table sheweth,

*Measure to mete length, breadth, & thicknesse.*

3 Grains of barley in length make an inch.

12 Inches } make } a foot.

3 foot } make } a yard.

*An Inch.*  
*Foot.*

3 foot and 9 Inches } make } an ell.

5 Yards and a halfe } make } a pearch.

*Yard.*  
*Elle.*

1 Pearch in breadth, and 40 in length, doe make a roode of land, which some call a rood, some a yard land, some a farthendele.

2 Farthendels } make } halfe an acre of ground.

4 Farthendels } make } an acre.

*Acre.*

¶ More, 40 rods in length do make a furlong,

8 furlongs make an English mile, which containeth

320 Perches.

So that an English mile, grounded upon the Statute, is in length 1760 yards, 5280 foot, and 63360 Inches.

Somewhat greater then the Italian mile of 1000 paces, and 5 foot to a pace.

Here

Here might I tell you many things else touching measures, and also how to reduce strange measures to our measures, but because it cannot be well done without the knowledge of Fractions, which as yet you have not learned, I will let them pass till another time, that I have taught you the knowledge of broken numbers.

The parts  
of time.

Scholar. But yet Sir of the parts of time, I pray you tell me some what.

A day.  
An houre,  
Weeke,  
Moneth  
Yeare.

Master. You know that a naturall day hath 24 houres, and every houre hath 60 minutes. It needeth not to tell you, that 7 dayes make a weeke, and 4 weekes make a common moneth, and 12 months make a yeare, lacking one day and certain houres and minutes: but of that I shall instruct you hereafter.

Here will I make an end of Reduction for this time, which though it be counted no kinde severall of Arithmetick, you see it is no lesse needfull to be known, or easier to be done, then any of the other.

Scholar. Marry Sir, it seemeth unto me much harder then any other sort, for it requireth the knowledge of so many things: but now Sir when you see time I am ready to learne forth, as much of Reduction as you have taught me, I remember; but and if I doe at any time forget, I shall have recourse to the Tables which you set forth for me.

Master. So doe you: for it will not be remembered without exercise. But in as much as you understand so much as we have intreated of, I will now instruct you in Progression.

Progressi-



# Progression.



*Although untill this day the most part of Writers have defined Progression as a compendious kinde of Addition, yet truely it is not so: for Progression as the very nature of the word doth informe any man) is a going forward and proceeding in numbers, and that regularly and orderly, whose place is aptly chosen to be very neere, or rather next after the exposition of the soure principall parts of Arithmeticke: for in it after a most easie manner, are al the soure former parts exercised and practised: and not onely Addition, as customably is done. Which custome hath been the cause, why it hath so specially been named a kinde of Addition, and defined to be a quick and brief Addition of divers summes, proceeding by some certain and reasonable order,*

*You shall also understand there are infinite kinds of Progressions, but for you (as yet) two are sufficient to be exercised in, of which the one I call Arithmetical and the other Geometrical.*

*Arithmetical progression is a rehearsing or placing downe of many numbers, number after number, in such sort that between every two next numbers rehearsed or placed downe the difference, diversity, or excessse, be equall and alike.*

Arithmetical Progression.

*Scholar. Sir I thank you for that you have both opened unto me what Progression is truly, and also why it is here placed.*

*But I pray you with an example make plaine your definition.*

Master.

Master. Examples cannot want, seeing all reasonable creatures naturally use the order of one kind of Arithmetical progression (which therefore is also named naturall) whensoever they distinctly do count or number any multitude by one, saying, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, whereby the proceeding from number to number, and every one surmounting and exceeding his fellow next before by a like quantity (which here is 1) declareth the same to be Arithmetical progression. And for the more plainness, I set it down in this manner,

*The comon excesse.*

1 1 1 1 1



*The progression.*

1 2 3 4 5 6

Scholar. This is most evident. And I think that I am able to tell you now of any progression Arithmeticall propounded, what is that common excesse or difference whereby it proceedeth, if this order be kept in it.

Master. What say you of 3, 6, 9, 12, 15;

Scholar. They exceed each other by 3: And that may I set down in such evident order, as you did your example of naturall progression, in this wise.

*The common excesse.*

3 3 3 3



*The progression.*

3 6 9 12 15

Master. And doe you not also now perceiue, that the whole Table of Multiplication may be made by the other of progression Arithmeticall?  
either

either if you will begin at the first number of any of them on the left hand, and so proceed right overthwart: or any of the first number of the upper row, and go directly downward.

Scholr. I pray you let me consider the thing a little, and I will answer you,

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10  |
| 2  | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20  |
| 3  | 6  | 9  | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30  |
| 4  | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40  |
| 5  | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50  |
| 6  | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60  |
| 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 63 | 70  |
| 8  | 16 | 24 | 32 | 40 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 72 | 80  |
| 9  | 18 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 54 | 63 | 72 | 81 | 90  |
| 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |

By this triall I perceiue it now very well, for the common excesse or difference between any two next, is continually as much as the first number of euerie row, either from the left hand overthwart taken, or from any of the uppermost overthwart rowes downward.

Master. Now then, if of any such progression, you would speedily know the totall summe much quicklier then by common Rules of Addition: first tell how many numbers there are (which numbers here we call places or parcels) and if they be odd, write their summe downe by it self: as in this example, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14. where the numbers are 7, as you may see: therefore set downe 7 in a place alone,

To know the totall summe of an Arithmetical progression.

alone, then adde together the first number and the last, as in this Example: Adde 2 to 14 and that maketh 16, take half of it, and multiply by the 7 whiche you noted for the number of the same places, and the summe that amounteth, is the summe of all those figures added together: as in this example 8 multiplied by 7 maketh 56, and that is the summe of all those figures.

Scholar. That will I worke by another example, I would know how much this summe is, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29, I tell the places and there are 9, that I note. Then I put the first number 5, & the last 29, together, and they make 34. I take half of it, that is 17, and multiply by 9, and it maketh 153. That you say is the summe of all the numbers.

Master. So shall you find it if you try it.

Scholar. How shall I try it?

Master. By your common Addition, for if you adde all the parcels together, you shall see the same summe amount, if you did worke well. And that manner of Addition trieth all kinds of summing any progression.

Scholar. When can I summe any progression, if the number of the parcels be odde. But what if they be even, as in this example, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8?

Master. When the number of the parcels is even, then note that also as you did before, and likewise adde the first summe to the last, and by the half of the number of the places, doe you multiply it: as in our example, the parcels are 8, that I note, then adding the first summe to the last

last, there amounteth 9, that doe I multiply by halfe of the parcels, that is, by 4, and it maketh 36, which is the summe of the parcels.

But if you will take one Rule for these both, use A generall thus: Multiply the halfe of the one by the other rule. whole, and the summe will amount all one. For sometime it chanceth that the number of the parcels be odde, so their halfe cannot be taken: and that some times it chanceth the Addition of the first number and the last, use being forth an odde number, so that halfe of it cannot be taken: but they will never be both odde.

Scholar. Then I perceiue this, if there be no more belonging to it.

Master. As accustomedly it hath been taught, this hath been the chiefe and onely exercise in Progression used. But that you may perceiue how diuers waies and to how great profit so simple a thing (as this Arithmetical Progression is) may be considered and used, I will here propound you six Propositions: of which foure of them were invented by a friend of mine, and never before this published: and the two first were neuer to my knowledge written of but by threes men.

Scholar. This doth greatly encourage me to be attentive unto your words, seeing I shall not onely be instructed at your hands in the common knowne Rules of this excellent Art, but besides that so abundantly in other new Rules informed, as my very entrance shall seeme to passe a great mans further studie, and longer continuance. Therefore Sir, I beseech you let me know your six Propositions.

Master.



Master. These they are.

- 1 To know the last number without proceeding by continuall Addition, till you come unto it, so that the common excesse, the first number, and the number of the places be known.
- 2 The first number of the Progression and the last being known, with the common excesse to finde the number of the places.
- 3 The excesse being given, and the first or last, to know the quantity of any middle number, whose place is given from the first or last.
- 4 The totall summe being given, and the first and last, to finde out the number of the places.
- 5 The totall summe of any Arithmetical Progression being given, and the first and last, to find out the common excesse.

The totall summe being given, and the mutuall excesse with the number of the places, to give the first or last number of the same Progression.

Many more considerations could I propound you in these *Arithmetical Progressions*, but these are sufficient, to give you occasion to think, that Rules of knowledge and Arts are infinitely capable of enlargement.

S. Happy were I if I did but well understand that which is already invented and written: And yet in my simple fantasie, these things offer themselves (in manner) to be studied for about Progression, therefore I pray you to proceed to the Rules answering to these propositions.

Master. I will orderly for every of these 6 propositions give you Rules, and with every one an example, unless the plainnesse and easinesse need no farther exemplifying.

For the Solution of the first multiply the excessse by 1 Proposition.  
a number lesse by 1 then the number of the places,  
and the off-come adde to the first number, so you shall  
have the last number, which is sought for.

As for example. If there were seven places in  
a progression Arithmetically; whose continuall en-  
crease or mutuall excessse were 4, and the first num-  
ber were 5, and I would know what the last and  
seventh number is: I multiply 6 which is one lesse  
then 7, (the number of the places) by 4, thereof  
commeth 24, which I adde to 5, that maketh 29,  
and that is the last number which I desire to know.  
And this you may straightway prove by continu-  
all proceeding from 5, till the seventh place, increa-  
sing every one by 4, as thus.

5, 9, 13, 17, 21, 25, 29.

Loe here the last, being also the seventh, is 29.

Scholar. I perceiue already one good property in  
this Rule, which in all workes is to be desired:  
that is. It will ease one from great labour, if a  
progression were propounded of a hundred or two  
hundred places, or more: And also it is very easie  
to work, and most necessary for the totall summe  
standing, in a very long progression.

M. It is true, & therefore now let me see if you  
can answer me this question by this proposition.

A Merchant buyeth 50 pounds of Spices, & agreeth  
to pay for the first pound 4 pence, for the second 7  
pence, for the third 10 pence, for the fourth 13  
pence, &c.

The question is, how much he must pay for the  
last pound, and then how much the 50 pound  
commeth to?

It

Scholar.

Scholar. According to the proposition, I multiply 49 (which is lesse by one then the number of the places) by the excesse, which is 3: to the product 147, I adde the first number which is 4, it maketh 151 pence, the price of the last pound. Now I adde 4, the price of the first pound, to 151 the price of the last pound, it maketh 155, which I multiply by half the number of the places, which is 25 the Product, 3875 pence is the totall sum of prices of the 50 pounds of Spices, as appeareth.

|                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 49 places 1 lesse | 151 last                     |
| 3 excesse         | 4 first                      |
| 147               | 155                          |
| 4 first           | 25 halfe places              |
| 151 the last      | 775                          |
|                   | 310                          |
|                   | 3875 totall summe            |
|                   | which amounteth to           |
|                   | li            s            d |
|                   | 16 ——— 2 ——— 11              |

Master. It is truly wrought.

Scholar. When I intreate you to proceed to your second proposition.

2 Propo-  
sition.

Master. The second Rule is this. From the last, subtract the first, the remainder divide by the common excesse, to the Quotient adde 1, and you have the number of the places, which you would know, as in this Progression.

6. 11. 16. 21. 26. 31.

If I know onely 6 and 31, and that they increase by 5, then according to the Rule, from 31 I subtract

Subtract 6, there remaineth 25, which 25 I divide by 5 (the common excess) the Quotient commeth forth 5, to which I adde 1 that maketh 6: and so many are the places as you see.

Scholar. This Rule is so easie, that I were much to blame, if I could not remember it.

Master. The third Proposition may alwayes thus <sup>3</sup> Proposition be solved. Multiply the excess by a number lesse by one, then the distance of the place is from the first, or the last number given: the offcome adde to the first, if the distance be reckoned from the first, & the first also known; or subtract from the last, if the distance be from the last counted, and the last given also, and that which commeth forth, either in that Addition to the first or Subtraction from the last is the number sought. As for Example, I propound you this Progression.

8 15 22 29 36 43 50 57

And for the apt considering the manner of this question, I will note over every place his distance from the first, and under every place his distance inclusively from the last, thus.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

8 15 22 29 36 43 50 57

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Now if the excess whereby this Progression standeth, be known to be 7, and the first numbers given, being 8, I would know what number standeth under 4, that is to say, in the fourth place. I multiply 7 by 3 (which is lesse by 1 then the number of the place proposed) that yeeldeth 21, to which I adde 8, the first number, so cometh 29: which I say to belong to the fourth place, as you see in the example: or if in the

third place from the last, you would know what number in this example should stand, the last number being known to be 57, and the common excess 7, then by 2 which is less by 1 then the place proposed, I multiply 7, that giveth 14, which appertaineth to the third place inclusively reckoned from the last, and so my example giveth you.

Scholar. I perceive right good use of this rule: for if I had forgotten what the first number were and remember still but the last, the common excess, and the number of the places, then might I come by the knowledge of my first number again.

And me thinketh, that it differeth not much from the first Proposition, saving that which you make here a middle number, there was made the last: and also in this point it differeth, that in it the last was only sought, and no consideration had in numbering the places from the last, as here I make in your numbers noted under four Progression.

Master. And thinke you not, the middle numbers of progression standing off a hundred or two hundred places or more, may as much cumber a man to come to the knowledge of them by continually encreasing from the first by the common excess, or abating from the last continually the common excess as the very small Numbers in a shorter Progression would doe?

Scholar. Yes sir, that I think right well and therefore I am glad of this new framed proposition, and the manner of the working of it.

Master. The rule of the fourth is this. *Adde the first & the last together, and by the off-comes divide the*  
total



total summe. Double the Quotient, and that will be the number of the places.

Scholar. Then if in a progression, whose summe were 207, and the first number 12, and the last 57, if I add 57 and 12 together, that maketh 69, and be it 3 of the 207, the Quotient will be 3, which I double; and so I have 6, and so many must be the number of the places that this progression standeth on.

Master. Whether it be so or no, to'w' till you trie?

Scholar. Half 6, which is 3, being multiplid by 69, must make 207, the totall summe; if 6 be the number of the places. For so the whole worke of your Rule in summing any Arithmetically progression shd enforme me. I 69  
will then multiply 69 by 3, thus. 3

It cometh forth justly. 207

Master. I must much herein commend your promptnesse both in memozy and in well applying your Rule: although in manifest wordes it did containe no such matter.

Scholar. Sir, I pray you heare me frame one example or moze.

Master. I am well pleased so that ye be short, for you make me longer here then willingly I would have been: but I cannot perceiue how I could have omitted any thing as yet, without your great lack thereof.

Scholar. If I had received 85 pounds of certaine men, but of how many I have forgotten, yet I remember that the first gave me 7 pound, and the last 27 pound, and every payment after other did rise

A question  
of money.

by a like summe. And the man for whom I received this money, conditioned with me, that of every payment I should have twelve pence for my labour: now unlesse I can by Art finde the truth of this case, I am like to lose the most part of my reward.

Master. I perceive you can handsomely frame an example, which should concern your own gains: I pray you let me see how you would do justice in this point.

Scholar. I add the first and the last together, that maketh 34: by which I divide 85, thus:

Why by how now? Sir, here is a remnant of 17, in which 34 cannot be had: so that now I am in the byters for doubling of my Quotient, and farewell then both my Justice, and a good lump of my gains.

Master. We are never the farther from the matter, though it fall into a Fraction. For you shall understand that the Fraction which of any such work proceedeth, is every half of one such as the units of the Quotient before are. And that you may try, if you double that which so remaineth, for then it will be equall to your divisor, as if ye double 17, (the remnant) it maketh 34, and your divisor also was 34, this noteth the remainder to be halfe of one.

Scholar. Now I am glad of this hard Example: For with it I have a generall rule for the Fraction that may hap in this work. So that the Quotient being 2 & a halfe, I double that, it maketh 5, therefore should my gain be 5 shillings. And to be sure (by your leave) I will trie it, for I will multiply halfe

halfe of 34 (which is the first and last number joined together) by 5, thus.

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It is most true (I see) that I should lose nothing by the former working.

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85

Master. The fifth proposition hath this rule appertaining unto it: By the fourth rule finde the number of the places, that being done, from the last subtract the first, and the residue divide by a number lesse by 1 then the number of the places, and the quotient will shew the excess, which is sought for.

5 Proposition.

An example hereof shall be this: If ye had disbursed 685 pounds to a certain number of men, you neither can tell how many they were, or how much the ones money exceeded his next before, but you are sure that the excess was equall between every two next: and also you remember that the first had 19, and the last 118 pounds, how would you find the number of the name and the excess continually observed in the succession of their payments?

Example.

Scholar. Your Rule doth plainly bid, first to finde the number of the places, which I will do according to the fourth rule: I adde 19, and 118 together, thus.

118

19

137

By this 137, divide 685 thus:

Seeing there is no Fraction but a whole number, being 5, I double that, and then must the number of the places be 10. Now from the last I subtract the first, as 19 from 118, thus: And so remaineth 99.

13

685 (5

137

118

This 99 I divide by a number lesse by one then the number of the places, and seeing the places were 10, I divide

19

99

14

99 by

29 by 9; thus: 99

The quotient is 1, and so was 99 (11 the excess, if I have followed your rule right.

Master. You have wrought every part of this question both well in order, and truly in the practice of your Rules.

Scholar. I will then set it down also formably, so that the number of the places, the excess, and the totall summe may straight appear, as your first example stood.

The com-  
mon ex-  
cesse.

The pro-  
gression.

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|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11  | 11  | 11 |
| 19 | 30 | 41 | 52 | 63 | 74 | 85 | 96 | 107 | 118 |    |

That the places be 10, and that from the first to the last, the common excess is 11, I perceive most evidently: but whether the totall sum be 685, I have not yet proved, which I will now doe: I add 19 & 118 together, that maketh 137: I multiply that by halfe the number of the places, thus.

All things agree most exactly, so that I am perfect enough in these Rules if I forget them not again.

Master. We maketh all things perfect.

6 Proposi-  
tion.

Your sixth rule is this. By the number of the places divide the totall summe, double the quotient, and that will be the first and last joyned in one summe. Then by a number lesse by 1, then the number of the places, multiply the excess, that off come subtraet from the first doubled quotient, and the halfe of the residue is the first number. The last number you may diversly find out, as by the first of our 6 Rules, or by subtraeting this first number from the summe which here contained both the first and last ioynly, (or thirdly) by continuall adding the excess,

Scholar.

Scholar. I pray you make this somewhat more plain with an example.

Master. If every moneth in the year (counting them now as 13) you gained clearly 40 shillings more than you did the moneth next going before, and at the years end you find the whole gain 5720 shillings, but ye remember not how much either the gaine of the first moneth or the last was, by this Rule it may be tried out.

Scholar. So that here ye seeme to apply the 13 moneths to thirteene places, the 40 shillings every one more then the other next before it to be the common excesse, and 5720 shillings to the totall summe.

Master. It is true: by 13 then I divide 5720 in this manner.

I double this Quotient, so have I 380 for the first and the last summe  
 joyned together, by 12 which is lesse  
 by one then the number of the places; I multiply 40 (the common excesse) so commeth 480.

This 480 I subtract from 380, so remaineth 400: half whereof is the first number which we desired to know: that is 200.

And as for the last number, I can give you itt three wayes, As by the first of my six rules I multiply the excesse, by a number lesse by 1 then the number of the places, as 40 by 12 that giveth 480, which I adde to the first, being 200, so shall the last be 680.

The same summe commeth forth if ye subtract 200 from 880.

And thirdly, If I begin at 200, and so proceed, encreasing by 40, I shall at the thirteenth place

Example  
of graine.



place have 680, as thus :

200 240 280 320 360 400 440  
480 520 560 600 640 680

Scholar. I thank you most heartily for these six Rules. Now if it be your pleasure I would heare and learn somewhat of progression Geometrical.

Master. There are yet very many Rules and propositions which fall into this Arithmetical progression.

And for the use and practise of them, I will propose unto you certain pleasant and necessary Questions of Arithmetical progression, and to the performance of their workings, such necessary rules and documents, as are requisite for the better understanding of them, or any such like.

A question  
of Velvet.

A certain Mercer sold 20 yards of Velvet to be paid in 12 weekes by Arithmetical proportion ; that is to wit, to receive the first week 6 shillings, the second week 12 shillings, the third week 18, and so forth, increasing the number of weeks by 6 shillings, till the twelfth and last week were expired. The question is how many pounds he had for 20 yards of Velvet.

To the performance of this question, and such other the like, I set forth the 12 payments in such sort, as for example, here appeareth.

Then touching the adding together of these

these summes, without the aid of Addition, according to the rules I taught you in Progression Arithmetical. I note the number of the places, which are 12, then adding the last number of the Progression, which is 72, and the first number together make 78; and multiplying 78 by halfe the number of the places, which is 6, amounteth to 468 Shillings, and in pounds maketh 23 li. 8s. And so much hath the Mercer for his 20 yards of Velvet, which is nigh about 23 shillings 5 pence a yard.

Scholar. I understand this work very well, but is there any proof for the justifying hereof, as you have of other workes?

Master. The worke of it selfe (being so perfectly wrought) that in your proceeding and going forward from number to number, each number exceeding his fellow by an equall or like quantity, is all that is demanded for justifying of the same: yet notwithstanding, because your request is reasonable, I will propose an example for the proof hereof.

*A certaine man is bound to pay for 20 yards of Velvet, the summe of 23 pound 8 shillings, and it is to be paid weekly in 12 weeks or termes by Arithmetical Progression.* The question is therefore to know with what number the same Progression is to be begun and continued in such equall proportion Arithmetical, that in 12 weeks the same may be justly accomplished.

The proof of the last question.

For the resolution whereof, and of all such other like, reduce 23 pound 8 shillings all into shillings, which maketh 468 shillings.

A generall rule.

Then adde 1 unto 12, the number of the termes,

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it maketh 13 which 13 you shall multiply by half the number of the termes which is 6, it maketh 78; then diuide 468 by 78, and you shall finde 6, in the Quotient, which is the true number, that shall begin and continue the said Progression. That is to say, the first week 6 shillings, the second 12 shillings, and the third weeke 6 shillings more, which is 18 shillings, & so every weeke as they rise 6 shillings more then the weeke before, as is manifest in the question aforesaid.

A question  
of a Farm.

*A Farm is to be sold to be paid by the weekes in a year; the first weeke to pay 4 shillings, the second weeke 8 shillings, the third weeke 12 shillings, and so forth, increasing each number by 4, till the number of 52 (which are the number of weekes in a years expired.) The question is, what the price of the Farm cometh to?*

Schol. I doubt not, but by that you have already taught me, to end this question very well; wherefore I set forth the Progression with his excede 52 times.

Master. *Pay stay a while: And here for your further ease, (to abridge you of great labour that appeareth to fall out in this question, and so may doe in any other the like) If a question were proposed of 100 or 200 places, or more, and that this question, or any other the like can be ended, unless you may know absolutely what the last number of the Progression of the 52 place is, (or ought to be) I will give you a generall rule how to know the last number of any Progression Arithmetical, as well as if you had ordinarily proceeded by continuall Addition, till you had come to the last worke which is this.*

Mul.

Multiply the excesse by a number lesse by one A generall then the number of the places, and thereto put the rule, first number of the Progression, and you shall have your desire.

Scholar. This Rule is well worth the noting: for if I understand you aright, I consider that my excesse is 4, which I multiply by 51, which is one lesse then the number of the places, and it maketh 204. wherunto I adde the first number of the Progression, which is 4, and then it is 208, which you say is 02 should be the last number of the Progression.

Master. It's is a most approb'd truth, if there were never so many places.

Schol. This Rule is so easie, that I were much to blame, if I doe not remember it. For by the benefit hereof, I have such an ease and light into this excellent Art, that my first entrance doth seem to raise a great many mens further study, and longer continuance.

Master. Many moe Considerations could I propound you in these *Arithmericall Progressions*; but these are sufficient for a taste, to give you occasion to think that *Rules* of Knowledge and *Arts*, are infinitely capable of enlargement.

Scholar. Happy were I, if I did but well understand that which is already invented and written. But these things in my simple fantasie, offer themselves to be greatly beneficiall unto the use of Progression. Wherefore now I will goe forward with your Question.

Now considering that the 52 and last place is 208, I adde thereunto the first numbers of the Progression

gression, which is 4, it maketh 212, which I multiply by half the number of the places, which is 20, and it amounteth to 5512 shillings. And so much is the totall summe of addition of this progression: which maketh 275 pounds 12 shillings, as appeareth here by my Tables.

Master. I like well your labour, and commend you for your diligence: I will here propose one example more, and therewithall for this time will end progression Arithmeticall.

**A question of Holland.** *A certain man brought 20 Ells of Holland, to be paid in 17 weekes, or termes, by progression Arithmeticall. And the first week to pay 1 shilling 8 pence, the second week 3 shillings 4 pence, the third weeke 5 shillings, the fourth weeke 8 shillings 8 pence, and so forth, each weeke succeeding 20 pence more then the weeke before. The question is, what the summe of his 20 Ells cometh to.*

Scholar. Because here is mention made both of shillings and pence, I feare there is some harder matter contained herein, then in the other before: therefore I pray you worke it your selfe, and I will diligently mark your labour.

Master. There is no more to be done in this, then in the other before; but because your request is so reasonable, be attentive unto me.

First, by the generall Rules, I seek to finde out the last Number of the 17 place, what this progression ought to be. Therefore here in my Tables multiplying the excesse 20 by 16, which is one lesse then the number of the termes for places, and it cometh to be 320; and thersunto adding the first number of the progression, which is 20 pence:



pence, all is 340 pence, or 28 shillings 4 pence, for so much ought the last number of the payments to be.

Then finally, to know what the whole 17 places amount unto, I adde the first number of the progression and the last together, which make 360. Now because 17 is an odde number, whose halfe cannot be taken, I take the halfe of 360, which is 180; and multiplying 180 by 17, commeth to 3060 pence, which maketh as you see by Division 12 pound 15 shillings. And so much is the buyer to pay for his 20 Elles of Holland. Which 3060 pence if you divide by 20, the number of Elles that was bought, you shall find 12 shillings 9 pence, and so much payed hee for an Elle one with another.

### The Proof.

*A certaine man doth owe 12 pound 15 shillings, to be paid in 27 weeks or termes by Arithmetically progression. The question is, to know with what number he shall begin and continue the progression, in such equall proportion, as the same may be truly paid and satisfied in 17 weeks.*

A question  
of debt.

### The Answer.

First I reduce 12 pounds 15 shillings, all into pence, which as you see here in my Tables, make 3060 pence, that I let stand by a while.

Then I adde 1 to 17, the number of the places or termes, which maketh 18, which I should multiply by halfe the number of the weekes or termes, which

which is  $8\frac{1}{2}$  which  $8\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied by 18 cannot well be done, unlesse you were acquainted with Fractions or broken Numbers, therefore you shall let that passe & multiply 17 by the half of 18, which is 9 (for that is all one with the multiplication of  $8\frac{1}{2}$ ) & the multiplication of 9 into 17 maketh as you see 153, with which number you shall divide the 3060 pence before said, and the Quotient bringeth forth 20 pence, which is the first number of payment to beginne the progression withall: and so each week succeeding to rise 20 pence more then the week before, and thereby in 17 weeks shall 12 pounds 15 shillings be payed: as before was sufficiently declared. Thus much for progression Arithmetically.

Scholar. Certainly Sir, I know not how to render you condigne thanks for these benefits shewed me, which me thinketh are so easie, delightful, and pleasant, that I count my selfe happy to be in your company.

Master. I am glad you delight so well herein, which is an Art of wondrous dexterity to all sorts of men, of what degree or profession soever they be. And now will I proceed to progression Geometrically, wherein I will be more briefe, both because I have been so long in this part of Arithmetical progression, and also for that it would require the knowledge of Roots and surd numbers. (whereof ye have learned nothing) if I would frame the like propositions in them as I have done in these. Therefore I will onely teach you to practice about it, and so end the considerations and works of these progressions.

**P**rogression Geometrical is when the numbers increase by a like proportion, that is, if the second number containe the first, 2, 3, or 4 times and so forth, then the third containeth the second so many times also: and so the fourth the third, and the fifth the fourth; wherefore I set these 3 examples.

|   |    |   |    |     |    |
|---|----|---|----|-----|----|
| 2 | 3  | 6 | 12 | 24  | 48 |
| 1 | 3  | 9 | 27 | 81  |    |
| 2 | 10 |   | 50 | 250 |    |

Here in the first Example you see that every number containeth the other (that goeth next before him) two times; and in the second example three times, and in the third example five times. Now if you will know how to finde easily the summe of any such number, doe thus: Consider by what numbers they be multiplid, whether by 2, 3, 4, 5, or any other, and by the same number multiplie the last summe in the Progression.

Scholar. I pray you worke it by this example, 2, 8, 32, 128, 512, 2048, which I have framed by proceeding from 2, and continually multiply by 4.

Master. When must I multiply the last summe (which is 2048) by 4 also, and it will be 8192, Now must I abate from this summe the first number of the progression, which here is 2, then resteth 8190, which summe I must divide by 1 lesse then was the Number that I multiplied by. Seeing then I multiply by 4. I must divide by 3, so dividing 8190 by 3, the Quotient will be 2730, which is the summe of all the progression. And now to prove whether you can doe the same, I give you these Numbers to adde by this Rule 3, 15, 75, 375, 1875, 9375, 46875.

To finde the totall summe in any Geometrical Progression.

Scholar. I cannot well tell by what number  
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this

this progression doth increase.

Master. In any such doubt doe thus : Divide the second number by the first, and the Quotient will shew you the number that engendereth the progression.

Scholar. Then is that number in this example 5, for so many times is 3 in 15.

Master. So is it. Now work as I taught.

Scholar. The last number is 46875, which I multiply by 5, & it yeeldeth 234375, from which I abate the last number of the progression, that is 3, and there resteth 234372, which I divide by 4, for that is one lesse then 5, and the Quotient is 58593, which is the whole summe of the progression.

Master. If you remember well this, you have learned the Art of progression both Arithmetically, and also Geometrically, which you may prove either by subtracting of each number alone from the sum, and so will there nothing remain : or else by adding together of all the parcels, for so will the same summe amount.

A question  
of Satten.

A Mercer hath 12 yards of Satten, which he valueth at 16 shillings the yard, and selleth the same 12 yards to another man to be paid as followeth : That is to wit, for the first yard to have one shilling, for the second yard two shillings, for the third yard foure shillings, for the fourth yard eight shillings, &c. doubling each number following, till the twelfth and last yard. The question is, who hath made the better bargain of the buyer or seller.

First you may set down 12, the number of the yards as you see here in this Example. And against each number the number of shillings due to be paid,

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as the order of Duplation or Multiplication by two teacheth.

When resorting to the adding up or summing of this Progression, where I consider that the increase of this summe proceeded by the Multiplication of 2, and therefore after I have drawn a line under the 1, I worke and multiply the last summe by 2 also, and it yieldeth 4096: from whence I abate the first number of the progression, which is 1, & then resteth 4095: which I should divide by one lesse then I did multiply by, but seeing it is 1, I need not to divide it: for 1, (as I have said before) doth neither multiply nor divide, therefore I take that summe 4095 for the whole summe of the shillings, which by Reduction amounteth to 304 pounds 15 shillings, and so much hath the Mercer for his twelve yards of Satten: which is 17 pound, 1 shilling, 3 pence a yard. But I think you will buy none so deare.

| s    |    |
|------|----|
| 1    | 1  |
| 2    | 2  |
| 4    | 3  |
| 8    | 4  |
| 16   | 5  |
| 32   | 6  |
| 64   | 7  |
| 128  | 8  |
| 256  | 9  |
| 512  | 10 |
| 1024 | 11 |
| 2048 | 12 |
| 4096 |    |

Schol. So Sir, by the grace of God this yeare.

Master. Then what say you to this question? If I sold unto you an horse having 4 shoes, and in every shoe 6 nailes, with this condition, that you shall pay for the first nayl one ob. for the second nayl two ob. for the third nayl foure ob. and so forth, doubling untill the end of all the nayls. Now I aske you, how much would the price of the horse come unto?

A question of an horse.



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|----------|----|---------------------------------------|
| 1        | 1  | Scholar. First, to know the           |
| 2        | 2  | number of the nayls, I must multi-    |
| 4        | 3  | ply 6 by 4, & it maketh 24. Then      |
| 8        | 4  | will I doe thus. I will write the     |
| 16       | 5  | number of the rayls every one in      |
| 32       | 6  | order from 1 to 24, and against       |
| 64       | 7  | each number of the nayls the summe    |
| 128      | 8  | of halfe pence duly, as the order of  |
| 256      | 9  | Duplation or Multiplication by 2      |
| 512      | 10 | teacheth, and as in the next figure   |
| 1024     | 11 | following appeareth.                  |
| 2048     | 12 | When do I resort to the Rule of       |
| 4096     | 13 | summing up the progression, where     |
| 8192     | 14 | I consider that the increase of this  |
| 16384    | 15 | summe proceedeth by the multipli-     |
| 32768    | 16 | cation of 2, as the last Example did. |
| 65536    | 17 | And therefore multiplying the last    |
| 131072   | 18 | summe by 2 also, and it yeeldeth      |
| 262144   | 19 | 16777216, from which I abate          |
| 524288   | 20 | the first Number which is 1, and      |
| 1048576  | 21 | then resteth 16777215, which          |
| 2097152  | 22 | I should divide by one lesse then     |
| 4194304  | 23 | I did multiply : but seeing that      |
| 8388608  | 24 | it is 1, I need not to divide it, for |
| 16777216 |    | 1 (as you have before said) doth      |

neither multiply nor divide, therefore I doe take the number, 16777215 for the whole summe of the halfe pence, which by Reduction I find to be 699050 shillings and 7 pence halfe-penie, that is 34952 pounds 10 shillings 7 pence, ob.

Master. That is well done, but I thinke you will buy no horse of the price.

Scholar.

Scholar. Now Sir, if I be wise.

Master. Well then, answer mee to this Question.

A Lord delivered to a Bricklayer a certain number of loads of Bricks, whereof he willed him to make twelve walles, of such sort, that the first wall should receive two thirdells of the whole number, and the second two thirdells of that which was left; and so every other two thirdells of that that remained: and so did the Bricklayer: and when the 12 walls were made, there remained one load of Brick.

Now I aske you, how many load went to each wall, and how many load was in the whole?

Scholar. My Sir, it is impossible for mee to tell,

Master. Nay, it is very easie if you marke it well. Marke well that I said, that every wall should receive two thirdells of the summe that was left. Now take away two thirdells from any summe, & you must needs grant that that which remaineth, is one thirdell of the summe last before, Example of 9. from which if you take 2 thirdells, there will remain 3, which is 1 thirdell of 9. Likewise from three take two thirdells, and there remain 1.

Scholar. This is true and now I perceive the least wall had but two load of brick.

Master. And by the same reason may you know how many load every wall had, according as this figure following doth shew, and likewise what the whole summe of bricke was, for if you make 12 summes, multiplying by 3, still from the last remainder, as you may see here on the left side of the Table, there will appeare all the remainders of the whole wall: and if you multiply the last of those 12 summes by 2 also, then will that be the summe of

the loads which was delivered to the Bricklayer.

|                   | 1      | 12 | 2      |                            |
|-------------------|--------|----|--------|----------------------------|
| The remainder af- | 3      | 11 | 6      | Loads due to<br>each wall. |
| ter every wall.   | 9      | 10 | 18     |                            |
|                   | 27     | 9  | 54     |                            |
|                   | 81     | 8  | 162    |                            |
|                   | 243    | 7  | 486    |                            |
|                   | 729    | 6  | 1458   |                            |
|                   | 2187   | 5  | 4374   |                            |
|                   | 6561   | 4  | 13122  |                            |
|                   | 19683  | 3  | 39366  |                            |
|                   | 59049  | 2  | 118098 |                            |
|                   | 177147 | 1  | 354294 |                            |

Summe of the loads delivered

5 3 1 4 4 0

Again if you double every Remainer, as you may see at the right side of this Table, those numbers will shew the summe of loads that went to each wall, whereby you may perceiue that each wall was three times so great as the next lesse.

Scholar. So now it appeareth easie enough. Now surely I see that Arithmetick is a right excellent Art.

Master. You will say so when you know more of the use of it: For this is nothing in comparison to other points that may be wrought by it.

Scholar. When I beseech you cease not to instruct me farther in this wonderfull cunning.

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# The Golden Rule or Rule, of Proportion direct, called the Rule of Three.

Master.



*Y order of the Science (as Men have taught it) there should follow next the* The Rule of Proportion.  
Extraction of Roots of Number, *which because it is somewhat hard for you yet,*  
*I will let it passe for a while, and will teach you the feat of the Rule of Proportion, which for his excellency is called the Golden Rule. Whose use is, by three numbers known to find out any other unknown; which you desire to know, as thus.* The Golden Rule.

*If you pay for your board for three moneths sixteen shilling, how much shall you pay for eight moneths?* Question of boarding.

To know this and all such like questions you shall consider which two of your numbers be of one Denomination, and set those two one over the other, so that the undermost be it that the question is of: as in my question 3 and 8 be both of one Denomination, for they both be months; and because 8 is the number that the question is asked of, I set the one over the other, and 8 undermost thus, with such a crooked draught of lines. When doe I set the other number which is 16, against 3 at the right side of the line, thus.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 8 \end{array} \text{Z}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 8 \end{array} \text{Z} 16$$

And now to know my question, this must I do: I Note. must multiply the lowermost on the left side, by that on the right side & the sum that amounteth, I must

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must

The third  
number.  
The se-  
cond num-  
ber.  
The first  
number.

must divide by the highest on the left side: or in plain words, thus, I shall multiply the number of which the question is asked (which is called the third number) by the number of another Denomination (which is called the second) & the sum that amounteth, must I divide by the summe of like Denomination (which is called the first) When for the knowledge of this question, I multiply 8 into 16, and there amounteth 128, which I divide by 3, and it yieldeth 42 shillings, and 2 shillings remaineth, which I turne into pence, and they bee 24 pence, of which third part is 8 pence, so the third part of 128 shillings, is 42 shillings, 8 pence, which summe I write at the right hand of 8  $\sum$  16 shillings 42 shil. 8 pence. the figure against 8 thus.

Whereby I know that if three moneths boarding, doe come to 16 shillings, that 8 moneths boarding will come to 42 shillings 8 pence, and likewise of any other like question.

But here must you marke, that the first number the third be of one Denomination, and also the second and the fourth, for which you seek: or else be of such Denominations, that you in working may turne them into one; As if a man should aske me this question.

Question of expence  
If 14 French Crowns  
6 shillings the peece, how many pounds is  
in a yeare? Here you see no two numbers of  
one Denomination, but yet in working you may  
turne them into like Denomination: as thus; turn  
14 French Crowns into 52 weekes and the fourth summe  
into 6 shillings, by the order of the working.

Then



When to know this question multiply the third summe 52, by the second 14, and the summe will be 728: that divide by your first number 12, and the Quotient will be 60 Crownes, and 8 Crownes remaining: which if you turn into shillings, they will be 48 shillings, which if you divide by your first number 12, the Quotient will be 4, which signifieth 4 shillings; put those 60 French Crownes, which make 18 pounds with the 4 shillings for the summe that answereth to the question, and it is the just expences of a yeare: And the work will be thus.

|    |                 |
|----|-----------------|
| W  | C               |
| 12 | 14              |
| Z  |                 |
| 52 | 60 <sup>3</sup> |

And take this evermore for a generall rule touching this whole art, that the doubtful or unknown number that you would be resolved of, shall alwayes be set in the third place. Note also the first number and the third must ever be of one nature and denomination, or else must in working be brought to like Denomination, & then of necessity must the other number be in the second place.

A generall Rule.

Remember also that the place of the first number is highest on the left side, & the place of the second, right against it on the right side; the place of the third number is under the first, as by those examples you have seen.

Scholar. This I trust I can do.

Master. But and if the question be asked thus: In 8 weeks I spend 40 shillings, how long will 105 shillings serve me? Here you see that 8 weeks answers himself and saith 40 shillings.

But how long time 105 shillings will serve you know not. Wherefore you shall set 105 in the third place, according as I told you even now. And the first

first place must allwayes be of the same nature or Denomination that the third is of, which here is 40. Then must 8 needs be that other: Now multiply 105 by 8 and it will be 840, which if you divide by 40, it will yeelde 21, which is the fourth number, and sheweth how many weeks 105 shillings will serve if you spend 40 shillings in 8 weeks.

The figure of this question is this: as if you should say: *Shillings. weeks.*  
 if 40 shillings serve for 8 weeks: 105 will serve for 21 weeks.

40 **Z** 8  
 105 21

Other diversities there bee of working by this Rule, but I had rather that you would learne this one well, then at the beginning to trouble your minde with many sortmes of working, sith this way can doe as much as all the other, and hereafter you shall learne the other more conveniently.

Note.

¶ And for your further aide and instruction, to make you better acquainted with this Golden Rule, I have here proposed fixe questions, and their answers, which I thinke most convenient and meet to preferre the desirous to perfect understanding. The first foure are all branches of one question sprung out of the best tree (for a young learner to taste of) that groweth in this *Ground of Arts*: for that no manner of question in the Rule of three whatsoever it be, can be proposed, but it must be comprehended under the reason or stile of one of these foure.

The

## The Questions.

If 15 Elles of Cloth cost 7 pound 10 shillings, what comes 27 Elles to at that rate? Answer; 13 pounds 10 shillings.

If 27 Elles cost 13 pound 10 shillings, what are 15 Ells worth? Answer; 7 pound 10 shillings.

If 27 Elles cost 13 pound 10 shillings: how many Ells shall I have for 7 pound 10 shillings? Answer; 15 Elles.

If I sell 15 Elles for 7 pound 10 shillings: how many Elles are to be delivered for 13 pounds 10 shillings? Answer; 27 Ells.

If 8 pound of any thing cost 16 shillings 6 pence: what money is to be received for 49 pound? Answer: 5 pound, 1 shilling  $0\frac{1}{4}$ .

If 4 pound of any thing cost 7 pence: what money will 8765 pound of that commodity cost? Answer; 63 pound, 18 s shillings, 2 d  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Of all which questions, I omit the work of purpose, that you shall whet your wit thereby at convenient leisure, to cline each branch, and gather the fruit of them, and doe minde now, beca<sup>use</sup> we make an end of this Rule, to give you some instructions of the backer Rule of three, whose order is quite contrary to this that you have learned.

Scholar. I thanke you heartily for the six Questions, which I will (God willing) practise at convenient times; I pray you proceed therefore to the Backer or Reverse Rule.

The

# The Golden Rule, or Rule of Proportion Backward, or Reverse.

Master.

Note this  
well.



**I**N the former evermore look how much the third number is greater then the first, so much the fourth number is greater then the second. And contrariwise, look how much the first summe is greater then the third (if it doe chance so) so much is the second summe greater then the fourth.

The back-  
er or re-  
verse rule  
of three

But in this Rule, there is a contrary order, as this: That the greater the third summe is above the first, the lesser the fourth summe is beneath the second: and this Rule therefore you may call the Backer or Reverse Rule, as in example.

A question  
of cloth.

*If I have bought 30 yards of Cloth of two yards breadth, and would have Canvas of three yards broad to line it withall, how many yards should I need?*

Scholar. *Why there is none so broad.*

Master. *I doe not care for that, I doe put this Example onely for your easie understanding: for if I should put the Example in other measures, it would be harder to understand. But now to the matter: If you would know this question, set your numbers as you did before: but you shall multiply now the first number by the second, and that ariseth thereof, you shall divide by the third: which thing if you doe here, I mean if you multiply 30 by 2 it will*

will be 60 : which summe if you divide by 3 there  
will appeare 20. whereby I know, that if 30  
yards of cloth of two yards  
broad, would be lined  
with Canvas of three yards  
broad 20 yards of Canvas  
would suffice, as this  
figure sheweth.

Breadth. Length.

2  $\text{Z}$  30

3 20

And now because ye found fault with my Ex-  
ample, how say you, perceiveth you this ?

Scholar. Yes Sir, I suppose.

Master. Then answer me to this question : how  
many Ells of Canvas of Ell breadth, will serve to  
line twenty yards of Say, of three quarters broad ?

Scholar. In good faith Sir I cannot tell, for I  
know not how to bring the sums to like Denomi-  
nations.

Master. Then will I tell you : sith there is  
mention here of quarters, & again every one of the  
measures both Ells and yards may be parted into  
quarters, part them so both in the breadth & length,  
and then put forth the question by quarters.

Scholar. Then shall I say thus. How many  
quarters of Canvas of 5 quarters broad will line 80  
quarters of 3 quarters broad ?

Master. Now answer to the question.

Scholar. First, I will set  
them downe in their forme  
thus : for 5 is joyned with  
the question and is therefore the third number, then  
is 3 the number of the same Denomination, I meane  
because they be both referred to breadth. Now I  
multiple 80 by 3, & it is 240, which I divide by 5, &  
it yeeldeth 48.

Breadth. Length.

3  $\text{Z}$  80

5

Then



Then say I that 48 quarters of 5 quarters broad will suffice to line 80 quarters of three quarters broad.

Master. Turne the quarters again into Ells and yards.

S. Then I say, that 9 Ells and three quarters of a yard of ellbroad, will serue to line 20 yards of three quarters broad, as this figure sheweth.

| Breadth. | Length. |
|----------|---------|
| 3        | 80      |
| 5        | 48      |

¶ Master. Now what say you to this question? I lent my friend 400 pound for 7 moneths, how much money ought he to lend me againe for 12 moneths to recompence my courtesie shewed him? can you answer to this?

Scholar. Yes Sir, I suppose, for I will set downe my Numbers thus: where I multiply 7 into 400, and it maketh 2800, which I diuide by 12, and it yeeldeth 233

| Months. | Pounds. |
|---------|---------|
| 7       | 400     |
| 12      |         |

pound, and there is 4 pound remaining of my Division, what shall I do therewith?

Master. Turne the same 4 pound into shillings, and then diuide it by 12 as you did before.

Scholar. Well Sir, it shall be done: so haue I 6 shillings for my Quotient, and yet remaineth 8 shillings upon my Division.

Master. You must also reduce that 8 shillings into pence, which maketh 96, and diuide that also by your Diuisor.

Scholar. So haue I done, and I finde 8 pence for my Quotient, and nothing is left.

Master.

Master. This must you alwaies doe when any thing remaineth upon your Division, whether it be money, weight, measure, or any kinde of thing whatsoever. This Rule is so profitable for all estates of man, that for this Rule onely (if there were no more but it) all men were bound highly to esteeme Arithmetick.

By this rule may a Captain in war, worke many things, as Master Digges in his Stratiocos doth declare. Onely now in this my simple addition, for a taste and encouragement. I will enlarge the Author with a question or two more, wishing you & every my Countreyman or Gentlemen whatsoever; that by nature be any thing given to Military affaires, to be familiar and acquainted with this Excellent Art, the which he shall finde not onely at the Sea, but also in the Campe and Field-service, abundantly to asse him. either in fortification, paying of Souldiers wages, charges of Ordnance. Powder, Shot, Munitions, and Instruments whatsoever as for example.

If it should chance a Captain which hath 40000 Question  
souldiers to be inclosed with his enemy, that he could of an Ar-  
have no fresh purveyance of victuals, and that the vi- mic.  
tuals he had would serve that Army but onely three  
moneths, how many men should he dismisse to make the  
victuall to suffice the residue 8 moneths?

Scholar. As you taught me, Moneths. Men.  
I set the numbers thus, say- 3 2 40000  
ing, If three moneths suffice 3  
40000, to how many will 8 8  
suffice.

To know this; I multiply the first number 3 into  
the

the second 40000, and it yeldeth 120000, which summe I divide by 8, and there will be in the quotient 15000, which if I doe subtract from 40000, the remainder will declare that *Months. Men,* hee must dismiss 25000 as  $3 \sum 40000$  this figure sheweth.

A question of a Fort. Master. Now answer mee to 8 15000 this question: If 136 masons in a moneth bee able to build a Fort to preserve the souldiers from the Enemy, and such expedition requireth that I would have the same finished in eight dayes: how many workemen say you is there to be appointed?

Scholar. As you taught mee, I set the numbers thus, saying: If 28 dayes require 28  $\sum$  136 136 Masons, what number of men by the like proportion will 8 8 dayes require?

To knowe I this multiply the first number 28 into 136, and it yeldeth me 3808: which I divide by 8, and my Quotient is 476: which is the just number of Masons that shall supply this worke. And now me thinke these questions are very easie.

Master. Truly if you take delectation herein, you shall finde this Art not onely easie, but wonderfull pleasant and profitable. Now therefore one question more I will propose, and so leave off this Rule in whole numbers untill we come to the use of it in broken numbers: for had you the understanding of broken numbers perfectly, not onely in this Rule, but in all other, the question that in the sight or appearance seemeth to bee 100 times harder to resolve, may thereby bee wrought as soon or sooner then this.

Scholar.

Scholar. Your words doe greatly incourage me to be studious to attain whole numbers: but might I once againe to be a Practitioner in broken numbers, I should thinke my selfe happy.

Master, What say you then to this question? If 48 Joyners in two dayes make 200 light horsmen staves (esteeming they worke but 12 houres a day) and such need requireth that 384 Joyners are set to the finishing of those 200 staves; in what time, say you, will they make them up?

Scholar. I see here that I must turn my 2 dayes into houres. And so doing, I set my numbers thus:

$$\begin{array}{r} 48 \text{ } \overline{) 24} \\ 384 \end{array}$$

Saying, if 48 men are 24 houres, 384 men will make an end quickly. For it is groundd upon an old Proverb, many hands make light work.

I multiply 48, into 24 and it amounteth to 1152, which I divide by 384, and my quotient is 3 houres, which is my desire.

Take this for a note worthy the marking, either in the Rule of Three, forward, or backward, when the two numbers are multiplied together, the product is of the same nature and determination that the second number is of. Note.

# The double Rule of Proportion direct.

Master.

The double Rule.



Ell, sith you perceive now the use of this rule, I will shew other which insue of the same and first the *double Rule*, which is so called because there is in it double working, by which thing onely it differeth from this.

Scholar. *Then by an example I shall understand it well enough.*

Question  
of carriage

Master. *So shall you, and let this be the example: If the carriage of 100 weight (that is 112 pound) 30 miles doe cost 12 pence, how much will the carriage of 500 weight cost being carried 100 miles?*

Scholar. *I pray you shew me the working of it.*

Master. You must make two workings of it: the first thus: If  $\text{C}$  weight cost  $\text{C}$  Weight. Pence.  
12 pence, how much will five 1 **Z** 12  
hundred weight cost? Set your 5  
figures thus:

And multiply 5 by 12, and thereof amounteth 60, which if you divide by one, the Quotient will be still 60, that is the price of 500 weight for 30 miles.

Then begin the second worke, saying: If 30 miles cost 60 pence, how much will 100 miles cost? Set your figures thus.

Miles. Pence.  
30 **Z** 60  
100

Then



Then multiply 100 by 60 whereof amounteth 6000, which being divided by 30, will yeld 200 pence. Then you must say, that so many pence shall cost the carriage of 5000 pound weight 100 miles, after the rate of 12 pence for the 100 carried 30 miles.

Scholar. Now I perceiue it also.

¶ Master. These and such other like questions of the double Rule of Three, are to be answered much sooner, at one onely working by the Rule of Proportion composed of five numbers, which anon I will shew you, and then when you haue the use thereof, you may use it which way you thinke good.

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you much for your courtesie. And I long now till this Rule bee ended, that I may see how I may behaue my self with that new Rule of five numbers: for that I haue euer since you taught me hitherto in the Golden Rule, both forward and backward, wrought but with three numbers onely.

Master. But presently we will go on forward with this Rule of Three, therefore answer to this question.

Thirty bushels of wheat sowed; yielded in one <sup>Question</sup> yeare 360, how many will 80 bushels yelde in 7 <sup>of sowing.</sup> yeares? I meane sowing every yeare of those seven, still fourescore bushels?

Scholar. First I say, that if 30 bushels will yeld 360 in one yeare, then 80 bushels will yeld 960 in one yeare. Then for the second worke, I say, If one yeare yeld 960, then 7 yeares will yeld 6720; as these two figures doe shew.

| Seed. | Encrease.                                      | Yeare. | Encrease.                                       |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 30    | $\begin{array}{c} 360 \\ \text{Z} \end{array}$ | 1      | $\begin{array}{c} 960 \\ \text{Z} \end{array}$  |
| 80    | $\begin{array}{c} 960 \\ \text{Z} \end{array}$ | 7      | $\begin{array}{c} 6720 \\ \text{Z} \end{array}$ |

Question  
of Corn.

*But now Sir if I set forth 30 bushels of Corne to another man for 7 yeares, agreeing so that hee shall sow every yeare the whole increase of the Corn, and I at the end of these 7 yeares to have the halfe of the whole increase: I would know how many bushels will there amount to my part, supposing the increase to be after the rate of the last question, for 30 bushels in one yeare to yield 360?*

Master. In such a question you must have so many severall workings as there be yeares: As for Example, in the first yeare thirty bushels yield 360, then to know the yielding of the second yeare, I must say, If thirty yield 360, how many yieldeth 360? Worke by your Rule, and you shall finde 4320. Then say for the third yeare, If thirty yield 360, How many will 4320, yield? you shall have 51840, and so every yeare multiplying the whole increase by 360, and dividing it by 30, the increase of the next yeare will amount, as these 7 figures following do orderly declare: where I have set 7 letters for the 7 yeeres, of which the first is set without Art, because that is the increase which you doe presuppose: and the last number of each other doth shew the increase of that yeare that it standeth for, which the letters doe declare, so that the increase of the seventh yeare is 1074954240 bushels: how many quarters that is, and also how many wales, you may by Reduction soon finde.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{a} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \quad \text{b} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \\ 360 \text{ --- } 4320 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{c} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \quad \text{d} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \\ 4320 \text{ --- } 51840 \quad 51840 \text{ --- } 622080 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{e} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \\ 622080 \text{ --- } 7464960 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{f} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \\ 7464960 \text{ --- } 89379520 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{g} \quad 30 \text{ --- } 360 \\ 89379520 \text{ --- } 1074954240 \end{array}$$

Now with one question more I will prove you. *Question.*  
*If six Mowers doe mow 45 Acres in 5 daies, how many mowers will mow 200 Acres in 6 daies* of mowing

Scholar. If 45 Acres require 6 Mowers, then 300 Acres require 40. Now again, if 5 daies require 40 mowers, then 6 daies need but 33 mowers.

Master. Why doe you not make mention of the 2 that remaineth in the last Division? for the last part of the question is wrought by the Backer Rule, where the first number 5 is multiplid into the second, that is 40, whereof amounteth 200, which if you divide by the third number 6, the Quotient will be 33, as you said: but then will there remain 2, which cannot well be divided into 6 parts: how best you may understand by the 6 part of 2, the third part of one mans worke, which you must put

to the 33; or else you must say that 33 Workmen will end all the 300 Acres in 6 dayes save 2 mens worke for one day, or two dayes worke for one man. But such broken numbers called Fractions, you shall hereafter better perceiue, when I shall wholly instruct you of them.

Master. Yet one question more of field matters I will propose, and so I will make an end of this double Rule of Three.

Scholar. With all my heart Sir I Thanke you, and I will dispatch it as soon as I can, because I would faine see the order of the next Rule of 5 numbers.

Question  
of entrenchings.

Master. If a Captain over a band of men did set 300 Pioners a worke, which in eight houres did cast a trench of 200 Rods: I demand how many labourers will be able with a like trench in three houres, to intrench a camp of 3400 Rods.

Scholar. I thinke I am now in the Backhouse ditch: for I know not well which way to go about it. And besides that, truly I thinke I shall never come to preferment that way my growth is so small.

Master. You know not how God may raise you hereafter by knowledge and service into the fauour of your Prince; for the auaile of your Countrey.

Example for Navigation: Sir Francis Drake, a man greatly honoured for his knowledge, was not the tallest man, and yet hath made as great an adventure for the honour of his Prince and Countrey, as ever Englishman did.

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you for your good encouragement. My minde, though I be little

is as desirous of knowledge,  
as any other : I have pon-  
dered now a little of it, and  
thus I set forth the worke.

|      |          |
|------|----------|
| Rod. | Men.     |
| 200  | 300      |
| 3400 | <b>Z</b> |

Saying, If 200 Rod require 300 men, what shall  
3400 rods require ? I multiply 3400 by 300, and  
it yieldeth 1020000, which I divide by 200, and my  
quotient is 5100 men.

Then must I say for the second worke, If in 8  
houres 5100 men, be able to discharge it, how many  
shall performe the same in 3 houres ? Now if I  
would worke by the Golden Rule of Proportion  
forward, I should finde a lesse number of men :  
because 3 houres is lesse then 8 houres : but because  
reason teacheth me, that the lesser the time is,  
wherein the trench must be made, the more La-  
bours I ought to have, thereupon I use now  
the Backer Rule, as in example. And I have in  
my Quotient 13600. So many Pioners must I  
have to intrench the Campe in 3 houres.

Master. You have answered the question very  
artificially : And truely I commend you for your  
diligence and apt understanding : and now ac-  
cording to my promise, I will (in whole numbers)  
give you a little taste of the Rule of Proportion,  
compounded in 5 numbers.



# The Rule of Proportion, composed of 5 Numbers.

The first  
part of the  
Rule of  
Proportion  
com-  
pound, di-  
rect.



*The Rule of proportion composed, is distinct for most needfull questions into severall parts or workings: And there belongeth unto it alwayes five numbers, wherof in this Rule being the first part, the second number & the fifth, are alwayes of one nature & like denomination, which Rule is to be wrought thus: you must multiply the first number by the second, & that shall be your divisor: Then again, multiply the other 3 numbers, the one by the other, and their Product shall be your dividend.*

*And now according to my promise, we will first look the question of weight and carriage, which I delivered you in the double Rule of Three, to be absolved by this Rule, which was this.*

*If the carriage of 1 C. weight, 30 miles cost 12 pence, what will the carriage of 5 C. weight stand me in, being carried 100 miles?*

|            |        |        |            |        |
|------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|
| C. weight. | Miles. | Pence. | C. weight. | Miles. |
| 1          | 30     | 12     | 5          | 100    |

*Now marke well how these five numbers stand: When multiply the first number by the second, as 30 by 1. which maketh but 30, that number hap for your Divisor. Then multiply the other 3 numbers, the one into the other, that is to wit, 12 by 5, which maketh 60: Lastly 60 by 100, which as you*

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you see here in our Tables, ariseth to 6000, which 6000 you shall divide by the Product of the two first numbers, which here is 30. And you see there is found 200 pence, which is the dutie that you ought to pay for the carriage of 500 weight 100 miles, after the rate of 12 pence a hundred, and agreeth with the conclusion of the double Rule of Three.

Scholar. Sir I thank you, it is even so.

Master. Yet note this in a generality in this Rule, Note. looke what nature of denomination your middle number is of (which here are pence) and of the like denomination or nature is alwayes your quotient.

Scholar. Well now and if it please you, by your patience, I will see how I can end the question next following of 30 Bushels of wheat sowed, which in one year yeldeth 360, how many then will 80 Bushels Bush. Year. Bush. Bush. Year. yeld in 7 year following every year of those 7 till 80 bushels, and according to your reasons I set my numbers thus.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 30 \text{ --- } 1 \text{ --- } 360 \text{ --- } 80 \text{ --- } 7 \\
 \phantom{30 \text{ --- } 1 \text{ --- } } 80 \\
 \hline
 28800 \\
 \phantom{28800} 7 \\
 \hline
 201600
 \end{array}$$

There I multiply 30 by 1, and it maketh 30 my Divisor; then multiplying the other 3 numbers the one into the other, as here appeareth in my Tables, they make 201600, which I divide by 30: & my Quotient is 6720 bushels, my desire; for so much also it came to at two workings by the Rule of Three.

Master.

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Master. Yet one question more I will propound unto you, and so leave this Rule, till it please God hereafter, that I may make you worke it in broken numbers.

Question *What comes the interest of 258 pound, for 5 moneths of Interest. 10, after the rate of 8 pound, taken in the 100 pound for 12 moneths?*

Scholar. Sir, this is yet within the compasse of some reasonable usance. Therefore to minister equitie in this case, I will see how I can worke the same, which I set down thus, praying you if I have *li. moneths. li. li. men.* not done well, to shew me *100---12-8--258--5.* mine error.

Master. Proceed, you have done very well.

Scholar. Then I doubt not by the grace of God but to end it: I multiply 100 by 12, it pleaseth 1200, and the three other numbers multiplied together produce 10320, which I divide by 1200: and my Quotient is eight pounds. Then according as you have taught mee heretofore, I turne the 720 pound that I left, into shillings: and dividing it by the first number my Quotient is 12 shillings. So I answer, that the loane of 258 pounds for 5 moneths, after the rate of 8 pound in the 100 pound for a yeare, comes to 8 pound 12 shillings.

Master. You say true, I commend your diligence: now behold the manner of the second part of this rule.

# The backer Rule, or the second part of the Rule of Proportion compound.

Master.

**I**N the second part of this Rule of Proportion composed, the third number is like unto the first. And the Rule is to bee wrought thus : you shall now, contrary to the last Rule, multiply the third number and the fourth together, and that Product shall be your Divisor. Then multiply the fifth by the second, and the Product thereof by the first : and that is the number that shall be divided. For example I propound this question for a proofe of my last question of Interest.

A Merchant hath received 8 pound 12 shillings, for The proote  
interest of certain money for 5 moneths rearme, which of the last  
he received after the rate of eight pound in the 100 question.  
for a yeare. The question is now, how much money was  
delivered to raise this interest.

Behold there- li. moneths. li. moneths. li. s.  
fore the manner, 100 — 12 — 8 — 5 — 8 — 12  
how the question is set forth.

Scholar. Sir I perceiue it very well : and according to the doctrine which you prescribed for the working thereof : if please you now it is set downe, I thinke I can follow the worke.

Master.

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Master. *Pay, stay a while, and before you worke, marke well how I deliver a reason for the perfect understanding of this Rule, which is thus:*

**Note.**

*If 8 pound in 12 moneths doe yeelde mee 100 pound, to take 8 pound 12 shillings for five moneths, must needes yeelde a great deale more.*

So upon the knowledge that I have in this Art, The first part of this Rule is answerable to the Rule of Three forward: and this latter part accordeth to the Rule of Three backward.

Scholar. *Sir, I yield you most heartie thanks for these your last instructions, they have given me great light into these two rules, whereby I may the better by deliberation conceive how to use them hereafter when occasion shall require.*

**Note.**

Master. *You say well, goe to now if you will, and trie your cunning in the question: But this note take with you by the way, in as much as here is mention made of shillings: turn all your monie as you work into shillings, for your more ease in working.*

Scholar. *If it please you to behold me a little, I will quicklie end it: for I have but my first, my second, and my last number to be multiplied together for my Dividend: And my third into my fourth for my Divisor.*



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| li.   | Moneths. | Moneths. | li. | s. |
|-------|----------|----------|-----|----|
| 100   | 12       | 8        | 5   | 8  |
| 20    |          | 20       | 20  |    |
| 2000  |          | 160      | 172 |    |
| 12    |          | 5        |     |    |
| 4000  |          | 800      |     |    |
| 2000  |          |          |     |    |
| 24000 |          |          |     |    |
| 172   |          |          |     |    |

48000 4128000  
168000 8 00  
24000  
4128000

Which 4128000 I divide by 800, and my Quo-  
tient is 5160 shillings, which in pounds yeldeth  
258 my desire.

Master. I will here for this time in whole num-  
bers end this Rule, and I will instruct you in the  
Rules of fellowship. You may at your convenient  
leisure for your exercise worke the same by the  
Rule of Three at twice. And for your aide and in-  
couragement therein, I set down here a proffer  
how to apply it.

A  
Moreths. li. s.  
5 8—12  
12 412 1/2

B  
pounds. li.  
100  
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# The Rule of Fellowship.

The Rule  
of Fellow-  
ship with-  
out time.



Ut now will I shew you of the Rule of Fellowship or Company, which hath sundry operations according to the divers number of the Company. This Rule is sometime without difference of time, and sometimes there is in it difference of time. First I will speak of that without difference of time, of which let this be an example.

A question  
of compa-  
ny.

*Four Merchants of one Company made a bank of money diversly : for the first laid in 30 pound, the second 50 pound, the third 60 pound, and the fourth 100 pound, which stock they occupy so long, till it was increased to 3000 pound. Now I demand of you what should each receive at the parting of this money.*

Scholar. I perceive that this Rule is like the other, but yet there is a difference which I perceive not.

Master. Then will I shew it to you : First by Addition, you shall bring all the particular summes of the Merchants into one summe, which shall be the first summe in your working by the Golden Rule, and the whole summe of the gaires by that stock shall be the second summe. Now for the third summe you shall set the portion of each man one after another, and then worke by the Golden Rule, and the fourth summe will shew you each mens gaires : as in example.

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240

The

The parcels of the foure Merchants make in one summe 240 pounds : set that in the first place, the gaires in the second, and the first mans portion of stocke in the third place, thus,

$$\begin{array}{r} 240 \\ 30 \end{array} \text{Z} \begin{array}{r} 3000 \\ 375 \end{array}$$

Now multiply the second by the third, and it will be 90000, which you shall diuide by 240, and there will appeare 375 pounds, thus :

And that is the gains for the first man.

$$\begin{array}{r} 240 \\ 30 \end{array} \text{Z} \begin{array}{r} 3000 \\ 375 \end{array}$$

Now for the second man set the 50 pound that hee brought, in the third place, and work as befoze : and his part will be 625 pound : as this figure sheweth.

$$\begin{array}{r} 240 \\ 50 \end{array} \text{Z} \begin{array}{r} 3000 \\ 625 \end{array}$$

Likewise for the third man, set his money which was 60 pounds, and his part of gains will be 750 pounds, as here appeareth

$$\begin{array}{r} 240 \\ 60 \end{array} \text{Z} \begin{array}{r} 3000 \\ 750 \end{array}$$

And so for the fourth man ; if you set his summe which is 100 pound, his gaires will be 1250 pound, as the worke will declare.

$$\begin{array}{r} 240 \\ 100 \end{array} \text{Z} \begin{array}{r} 3000 \\ 1250 \end{array}$$

Scholar. This I perceiue : but is there any way to examine whether I haue well done or no?

Master. For the triall hereof, adde together all their foure portions, and if their addition make the whole summe of their gaires, then is the work well done.

Note this common

Scholar. That will I trie by and by ; the foure parcels are those, which added together make

3000,

3000, which is the just summe  
of money that they gained,  
whereby I know the work is  
well done.

375  
615  
710  
1250  
3000

A question  
of losse.

Master. Well, now another example will I put  
to you not of gains, but of losse: for one reason serveth  
for both.

If three Merchants in one ship, and of one fellow-  
ship, had bought Merchandise, so that the first had  
laid out 200 pound, the second 300 pound, the third  
500 pound, and it chanced by tempest that they did cast  
over board into the Sea Merchandise of the value of  
100 pound, how much should each man bear in this  
losse?

Scholar. If I shall do in this as you did in the  
other question, then must I joyn their 3 portions  
together, 200, 300, 500, which maketh 1000.  
Then say I, If 1000 lose 100 then shall 200 lose  
20, and 300 shall lose 30, and 500 shall lose 50, as  
by the three figures it doth appear plain.

1000 Z 100  
200 Z 20

1000 Z 100  
300 Z 30

1000 Z 100  
500 Z 50

Master. Well, sith now you have done these, I  
will propound a question of more importance,  
which shall make you not onely the abler to un-  
derstand this Rule, but also it will greatly aid you  
in the next Rule of fellowship with time. If such  
need be that your money be of others Denomi-  
nations.

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For this may not be forgotten in all such questions: If the number be of divers kindes, you must by reduction bring it into one kinde, that is to say, to the least value that is named in the question. And likewise shall you doe, if the time be of divers kindes, as some yeares, some moneths, weeks, and dayes, you shall make all moneths, weeks, or dayes, according as the least name of time in the question is, as for example.

*First in diversity of money.* Three companions Aquestion bought 2000 sheep, and paid for them 241 pound of sheepe. 13 shillings 4 pence, of which summe one paid 101 pound, 10 shillings. The second 82 pound 17 shillings 10 pence. And the third paid 57 pound, 5 shillings 6 pence: How many sheepe must each of them have? Answer. The first shall have 840. The second 686. And the third 474. And that must you worke thus:

First, considering that your money is of divers Denominations, you shall (by reduction) bring it all into the smallest Denomination which is in it, that is to say, pence; and so will the Totall summe be 58000 pence. Solution.

Now if you turne each mans money into pence also, the first mans summe will be 24360 pence: The second mans money will be 19894 pence; and the third mans money will be 13746 pence.

Now to know how many sheepe every man shall have, let the whole summe of money, that is, 58000 pence be set in the first place, and in the second place set the number of sheepe, and then orderly in the third place set each mans money, and then multiplying the third and the second summes together, and dividing that that amounteth by the first,

there

there will appeare the number of sheep that each man ought to have: as these 3 figures do shew.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \text{a} & & \text{b} \\
 \begin{array}{r} 58000 \\ 24360 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2000 \\ 840 \end{array} & & \begin{array}{r} 58000 \\ 19894 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2000 \\ 686 \end{array} \\
 \\ 
 & \text{c} & \\
 & \begin{array}{r} 58000 \\ 13746 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2000 \\ 474 \end{array} & 
 \end{array}$$

S. Why doe you set the money in the first place, seeing in the question you say 2000 sheep cost 58000 pence, and not thus: 58000 cost 2000 sheep?

Master. You remember I taught you at the beginning of the Golden Rule, that the first and the third numbers must be of one name, and of like things: & evermore the number that the question is asked of, must be set in the third place.

Now is the question plainly this: If foure men bought 2000 sheep for 58000 pence, how many sheep shall each man have?

But seeing in this question, there ought more respect to be had to the summe of money, then to the summe of the persons; (for in the summe of money is their proportion toward the sheep, and not to the number of persons.)

If 58000 pence bought 2000 sheepe, how many did 24360 buy? Again, how many did 19894 pence buy? And how many bought 13746 pence?

Scholar. I perceiue it reasonable, and so will I doe in all questions.

Note.

M. Even so. But for easinesse of the worker marke this: Whensoeuer the first & second numbers



hath Cyphers in the first places, you may both in the Multiplication and in the Division leave out those cyphers, so that you leave out like manie out of both summes, as in this question, the first number 58000 hath 3 cyphers, and so hath the second, that is 2000 : therefore cast away their cyphers, and so will the first number bee 58, and the second 2. Set them in their places, and worke according to the Rule, and you shall perceive that will bee all one, saving that this is the shorter and easier way, as these three figures doe shew.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{a} \\ 58 \overline{) 14360} \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 840 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{b} \\ 58 \overline{) 19894} \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 686 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{c} \\ 58 \overline{) 13746} \end{array} \begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 474 \end{array}$$

And this you see is both easier, and also the more certaine way to know the answer to this question.

Scholar. Truth it is as you say : But Sir methinks I might aske a further question here, not onely how many sheep each man should have, but also what evertie sheep cost.

Master. That question doth not onely belong to this Rule, but may also be discussed by Division; especially if the questions number bee one onely, as this : Divide the totall summe 58000 pence by 2000 (or 58 by 2) omitting the cyphers, and the Quotient will be 29 pence, that is 2 shillings 5 pence. Howbeit, by this Rule you may doe it, and best when the number of the question doth exceede 1 ; as if I

Should aske this question, 2000  
sheep cost 58000 pence, how  
much doe 20 cost? Then shall  
I set my figures as before.

2000 **Z** 58000  
20

And doing after the Rule, there will amount  
580 pence, that is, 2 pound 8 shillings 4 pence, the  
price of one score: but if you will use that easie  
way that I did teach you now, you  
may change the first and second num-  
ber thus.

2 **Z** 58  
20

Thus doe you perceibe the use of the Rule  
without time.

Scholar. All this I understand very well: I  
pray you now instruct mee in the Rule of Fellow-  
ship with Time.

## The Rule of Fellowship with Time.

Master.

The Rule  
of Fellow-  
ship with  
time.



O the intent you may as well perceive the  
same Rule with diversity of time, I pro-  
pose this example.

*Four Merchants made a commu-  
stocke, which at the years end was in-  
creased to 35145 pound. Now to know what shall be  
each mans portion of gain, you must know each mans  
stocke, and time of continuance.*

The first man of these foure laid in 669 l. which

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he did take from the stock again at the end of 10 moneths. The second man laid in 810 pound, for 8 moneths. The third man laid in 900 pound, for seven moneths. And the fourth laid in 1040, for 12 moneths.

Question  
of a Bank

This question shall you examine as you did the other before, saying that whereas in the third place of the Figure you did set each mans summe alone, here you shall set the same being multiplied by the number of their time : and likewise in the first place of the figure you shall set the number which amounteth of their whole summes so multiplied by their time, and added into one whole summe, as thus.

Note.  
A generall  
Rule.

The first mans summe is 669 pounds, which I multiply by 10 (that was the number of his time) and it maketh 6690. The second mans summe 810 pound, multiplied by 8 (which was his time) maketh 6480. The third mans summe 900 pound, multiplied by 7 (for that was his time) yeeldeth 6300. The fourth mans summe was 1040 pound, and his time 12 : multiplie the one by the other, and it will be 12480.

The foure summes thus multiplied by their time, must be set orderly in the third place of the figure, and in the first place must be set the whole summe of all foure, which is 31950 ; and the gain must betw the second place, which is 35145. Now to end the question, I say first, If 31950 did get 35145, what did 6690 get? Answer.

7359 pounds, as by this

$$\begin{array}{r} 31950 \\ 6690 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} 35145 \\ 7359 \end{array}$$

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Likewise,

Likewise, the second man had to his part 7128 pound, the third must have 6930 pounds, and the fourth man shall have for his part 13728 pounds, as these figures doe partly declare.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{b} \\ 31950 \text{ Z } 35145 \\ 6480 \text{ Z } 7128 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{c} \\ 31950 \text{ Z } 35145 \\ 6300 \text{ Z } 6930 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{d} \\ 31950 \text{ Z } 35145 \\ 12480 \text{ Z } 13728 \end{array}$$

Another  
proofe.

Scholar. This I like very well : but what proof is there of this work ?

Master. The same that I taught you for the other : howbeit, there is used both for this work and the other also, this manner of proofe, to add all the portions together, and it may agree to the whole summe, then seemeth your worke well done: but this is no sure proofe.

S. Yet will I prove in this example: the  
4 parcels are these, which if I add together, there will amount 35145, and that  
was the whole summe, whereby I perceive the work is well done.

Master. If it fall out otherwise, be  
sure it is not well.

Scholar. Then do I understand this worke also  
very well : But what have I now to learn ?

M. There are many other excellent parts behind,  
of which I will not as now make mention, because  
that without the knowledge of Fractions they can-  
not be duely taught, and much lesse understood.  
Therefore will I propose to you two or three  
questions

questions more (that thereby you may better perceive the use of this Rule and all other the like) and so make an end for this Time.

*¶ Three Partners by some ill adventure sustained A question the losse of 160 pound, whereof the first laid into the oflosse. common stocke 200 pound, for ten Moneths. The second laid in 350 pound, and the third 100 pound, but for how long the two latter, is unknown : But braking off their Partnership, the first found himselfe a losse 80 pound, the second 56 pound, and the third 24 pound. The question is, for how long time was the money of the two latter in company.*

For the solution hereof, and of such other like, you must also multiply the first mans 200 pound, that hee put into the stocke by his time of continuance, which was ten moneths ; and it maketh 2000 : wherefore now I affirme, if his money that lost 80 pound multiplied by his time make 2000 : what shall his money make that lost 56 pound, and his that lost 24 pound, which two numbers I commit to the trial of the Rule of Three at two workings, thus ;

If 80 give 2000, what giveth 56 ? And again, if 80 give 2000, what giveth 24 ?

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 80 & \text{Z} & 2000 \\ 56 & & 1400 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{rcl} 80 & \text{Z} & 2000 \\ 24 & & 600 \end{array}$$

To conclude, if you now divide 1400, the second mans portion, by 350, which was his stock that he laid into company, you shall find in your quotient 4 moneths, and so so long time did the second man put his money into the common stock.

Lastly, if you divide the third mans new laying in, which was 600 by 100. which was his stock

that he put into the company, the quotient declareth his time of continuance, which was six moneths. And thus is the question resolved.

Scholar. Sir, I have attentively beheld your working, and the more we travaile herein, the more me thinke I am in love with this excellent Art.

Master. Then what say you to this Question?

*A question of Canons* There is in a Cathedrall Church 20 Canons, and 30 Vicars, those may spend by year 2600 pound, but every Canon must have to his part 5 times so much as every Vicar hath: how much is every mans portion say you?

Scholar. I pray you make the answer your self also, so shall I perceiue best the means to answer to such other like.

Master. In this Question, you must doe as in those beforesaid, that have diversitie of time, for here is diversitie of portions. Therefore shall you multiply the number of the persons by their difference of portions: (as you did in the other by time:) Then must you multiply the 20, (which is the number of Canons) by 5, (for that is the number of their portion) so will it be 100. Then 30, (that is the number of Vicars) by 1, (that is the number of their portion) and it will be 30: put these two summes together, and they make 130. Then say thus; If 130 spend 2600 pounds, what may 100 spend? The Rule sheweth 2000 pounds.

Again for Vicars if 130 spend 2600 pound, what may 30 spend? Answer 600 pound, as these figures shew.

$$\begin{array}{r} 130 \quad \text{Z} \quad 600 \\ 100 \quad \text{Z} \quad 2000 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 130 \quad \text{Z} \quad 3600 \\ 30 \quad \text{Z} \quad 600 \\ \text{But} \end{array}$$



But if every Canon should have so often times 4 pound as the Vicar should have 3 pound, then should I multiply 20 by 4. (that were 80) & 30 by 3, (that were 90) and then both were 170. Then should the figures be set as followeth.

|     | li.      | s.          | d. |     | li.      | s.         | d. |
|-----|----------|-------------|----|-----|----------|------------|----|
| 170 | <b>Z</b> | 2600        |    | 170 | <b>Z</b> | 2600       |    |
| 80  | <b>Z</b> | 1223,--10,7 |    | 90  | <b>Z</b> | 1376,--9,5 |    |

But this sort is too hard for you, by reason of the fractions, therefore I will let it rest to that place.

And by this rule you see what the 20 Canons may spend; which summe if you divide by 20, you shall see each Canons proportion: and so of the Vicars, if you divide their summe by 30, the quotient will declare every Vicars portion.

## The second Dialogue. The accounting by Counters.

Master.



Now that you have learned Arithmetick with the Pen, you shall see the same Art in Counters: which feat doth not onely serve for them that cannot write and read, but also for them that can do both; but have not at some time their pen or tables ready with them.

This sort is in two formes commonly, The one by lines, and the other without lines. In that that

that hath lines, the lines doe stand for the order of places: & in that that hath no lines, there must be set in their stead so many Counters as shall need for each line one; and they shall supply the want of lines.

Scholar. By examples I should better perceive your meaning.

Master. For example of the lines; loe here you see six lines, which stand for six

— 100000 —

— 10000 —

— 1000 —

— 100 —

— 10 —

— 1 —

places, so that the nethermost stands for the first place, & the next above is for the second, & so upward till you come to the highest, which is the sixth line, and standeth for the sixth place.

Numeration by  
Counters.

Now what is the value of every place or line, you may perceive by the figure which I have set on them, which is according as you learned before in Numeration of figures by the Pen: for the first place is the place of unites or ones, and every counter set in that line, betokeneth but one: and the second line is the place of 10, for every counter there standeth for 10: the third line the place of hundreds, the fourth of thousands, and so forth.

Scholar. Sir, I doe perceive that the same order is here of lines, as was in the other figures by places, so that you shall not need longer to stand about Numeration, except there be any other difference.

Master.

Master. If you do understand it, \_\_\_\_\_  
then how will you set 1543? \*1 \_\_\_\_\_

Scholar. Thus as I suppose, 5 \_\_\_\_\_

Master. You have set the places 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
truly, but your figures be not meet 3 \_\_\_\_\_

for this use: for the meetest \_\_\_\_\_

figures in this behalfe, is\* \_\_\_\_\_

the figure of a counter round, \_\_\_\_\_

as you see here, where I \_\_\_\_\_

have expressed that same \_\_\_\_\_

summe. \_\_\_\_\_

Scholar. So that you \_\_\_\_\_

have not one figure for 2, nor 3, nor 4, & so forth, but \_\_\_\_\_

as many digits as you have, so many counters you \_\_\_\_\_

set in the lowest line, and for every 10 you set one \_\_\_\_\_

in the second line, and so of other. But I know \_\_\_\_\_

not by what reason you set that one Counter for \_\_\_\_\_

500 between two lines. \_\_\_\_\_

Master. You shall remember this, that whenso-

ever you need to set down 5, 50, or 500, or 5000, or

set forth any number whose numerator is 5, you

shall set one counter for it in the next place above

the line that it hath his denomination of: As in

this example of that 500, because the numerator is

5, it must be set in a void space, and because the

denomination is a hundred, I know that the place

is the void place next above hundreds, that is to

say, above the third line.

And further you shall marke, that in all work-

ing by this sort, if you shall set downe any

summe between 4 and 10, \*  
 for the first part of that  
 number you shall set down

5, & then so many counters  
 more, as there rest num-  
 bers above 5. And this is  
 true both of digits & articles. \*

And for example, I will set  
 down this summe 297965,  
 which summe if you marke  
 well, you need none other  
 examples for to learne the  
 numeration of this forme.

But this shall you marke, that as you did in  
 other kindes of Arithmetick, set a pick in the  
 places of thousands, in this work you shall set a  
 Starre, as you see before.

Scholar. When I perceiue Numeration: But,  
 I pray you, how shall I do in this Art, to adde two  
 summes or more together?

## Addition.

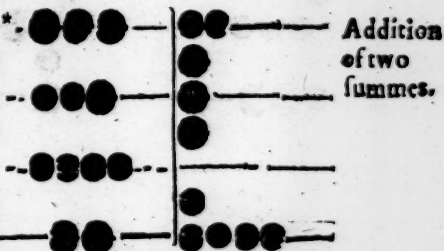
Master.



*He easiest way in this is to adde but two  
 summes at once together: Howbeit you  
 may adde more, as I will tell you  
 anon.*

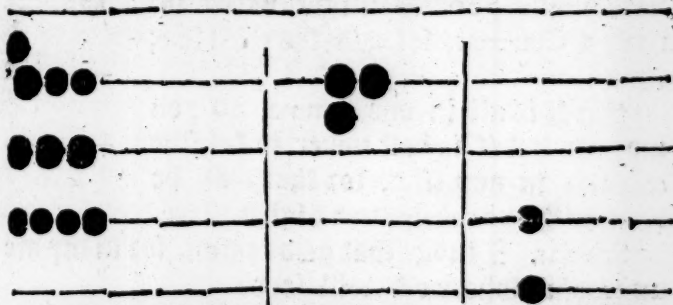
Therefore when you will adde  
 two summes, you shall first set down  
 one

one of them, it sorteth not which, and then by it draw a line crosse the other lines. And afterward set downe the other sum, so that the line may be between them : as if you would adde 2659 to 8342, you set your summes as you see here.



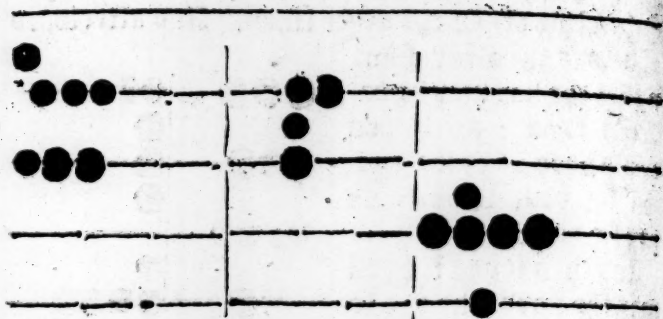
And then if you list you may then adde the one to the other in the same place : or else you may adde them both together in a new place : which way, because it is most plaine, I will shew you first.

Wherefoze will I beginne at the Unites, which in the first summe is but 2, and in the second summe 9, that maketh 11 : Whose do I take up, and set them I set 11 in the new room, thus :



Then doe I take up all the Articles under a hundred, which in the first summe are 40, and in the second summe 50, that maketh 90 : or you may say better, that in the first summe there are foure Articles of 10, and the second summe 5, which maketh 9, but then take heed that you set them in their right lines, see here.

Where



Where I have taken away 40 from the first summe, and 50, from the second, and in their stead I have set 90 in the third room, which I have set plainly, that you might well perceiue: howbeit seeing that 90 with the 10 that was in the third room, already, both make 100, I might better for those 6 Counters, set 1 in the third line, thus:



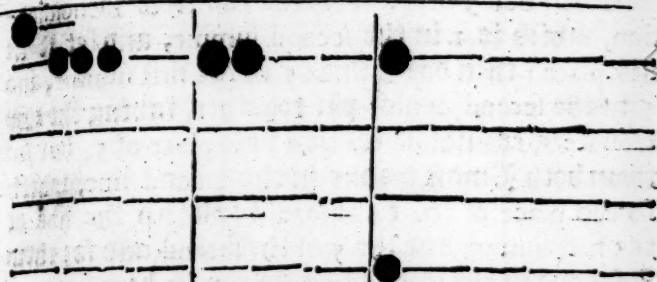
For it is all in one summe, as you may see, but it is best never to set five counters in any line, for that may be done with one counter in a higher place.

Scholar. I judge that good reason, for many are unneedfull where one will serue.

Master. Well, then will I adde fourth of hundreds: I finde 3 in the first summe, and 6 in the second, which maketh 6000, then doe I take up, and set in the third room, where is 100 already, to which I put 900, and it will be 1000: therefore I set one counter in the fourth line for them all, as you see here.

Then



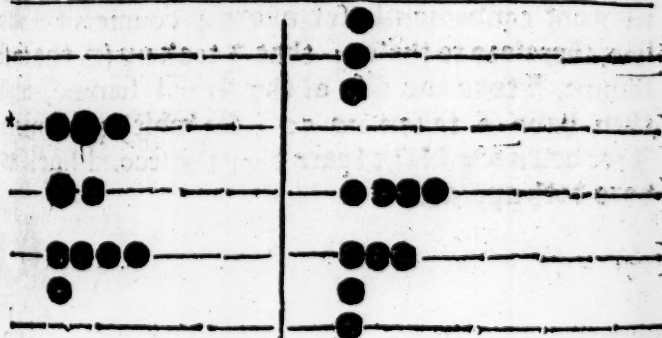


Then adde I the thousands together, which in the first summe are 8000, and in the second 2000 that maketh 10000, then doe I take up for those two places, and for them I set one counter in the fifth line, and then it appeareth as you se to bee 11001, for so many doth amount of the Addition of 8342 to 2659.

To adde  
summes  
together,

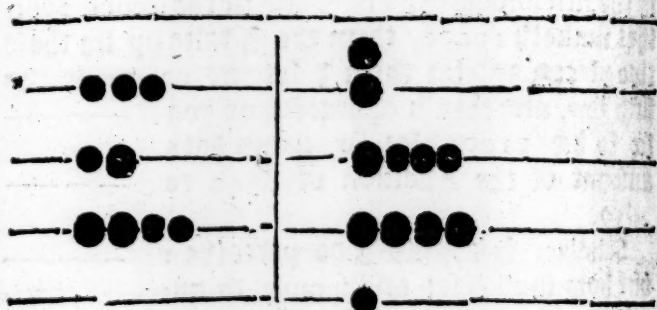
Scholar. Sir, this I do perceiue : but how shall I set one summe to another, not changing them to a third place ?

Master. Marke well how I doe it. I will adde together 65436 and 3245, which first I set down thus :

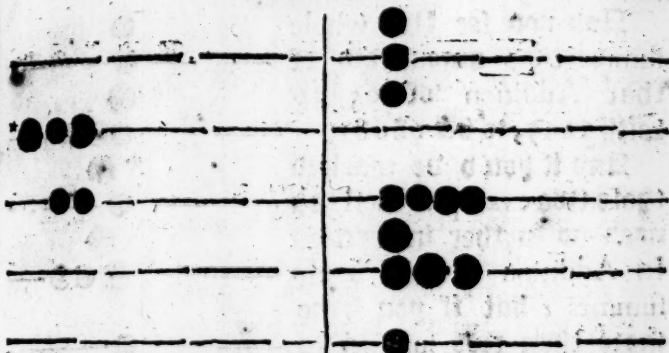


Then

Then doe I begin with the smallest Denomination, which is 1 in the second summe, and set it in his place : then doe I finde 5 in the first summe, and 5 in the second, which put together, saving the two Counters, cannot be set in a void place of 5, but for them both I must set one in the second line, which is the place of 10, therefore I take up the five of the first summe and the 5 of the second, and for them I set one in the second line, as you see here.

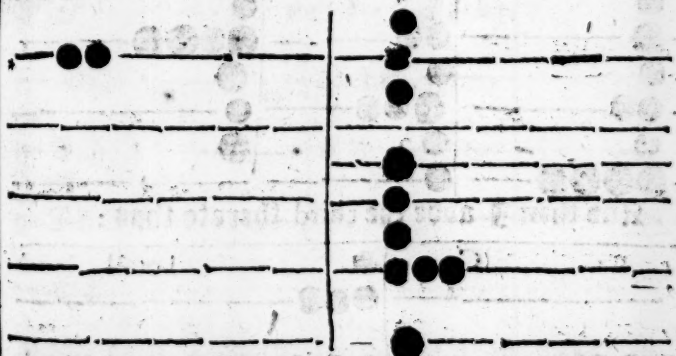


Then do I likewise take the 4 Counters of the first summe and second line (which maketh 40) and add them to the 4 counters of the same line in the second summe, and it maketh 80 : but as I said, I may not conveniently set above 4 counters in one line, therefore to those 4 that I took up in the first summe, I take one also of the second summe, and then have I taken up 50 : for which 5 counters I set down one in the space over the second line, as here both appear.



And then is there 80, as well with those 4 counters, as if you had set down the other 4 also.

Now do I take the 200 in the first summe, and add them to the 400 in the second summe, and it maketh 600, therefore I take up the two counters in the first summe, and three of them in the second summe, and for them 5, I set 1 in the space above, thus:

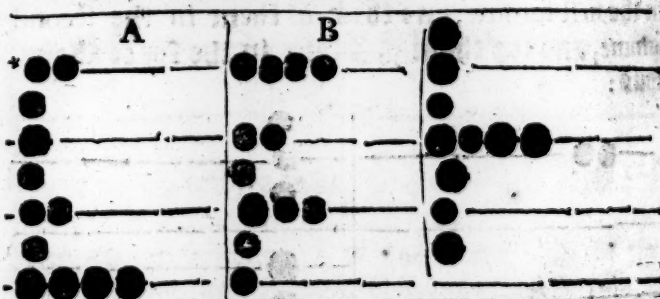


Then take I the 3000 in the first summe unto which there are none in the second summe agreeing. therefore I doe onely remove those three counters from the first summe into the second, as here both appear;

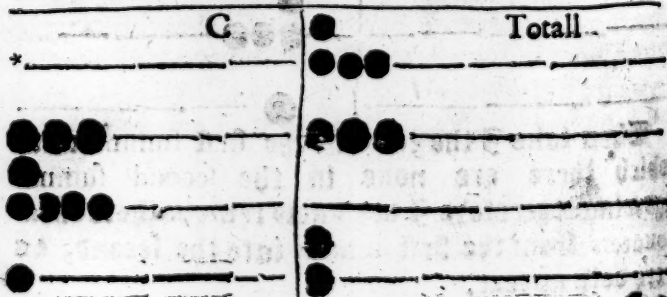
And you see the whole  
summe that amounteth of  
that Addition of 65436  
with 3245, to be 68681.

And if you have marked  
these two examples well you  
need no further instruction  
in Addition of two onely  
summes : but if you have  
more then two summes to  
adde, you may adde them thus :

First adde two of them, and then adde the third  
and fourth, or more, if there be so many : As if I  
would adde 2679, with 4286, and 1391, First I  
adde the two first summes thus :



And then I adde the third thereto thus :



And

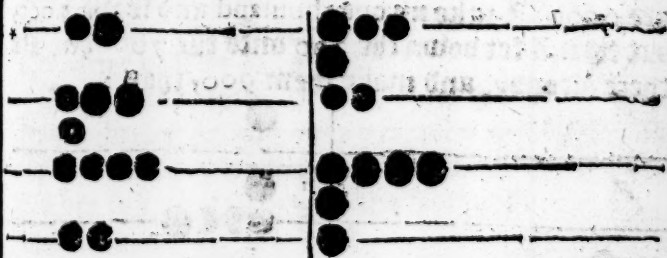
And so of more if you have them.

Scholar. Now I think it best that you passe forth to Subtraction, except there be any way to examine this manner of Addition, then I thinke that were good to be known next,

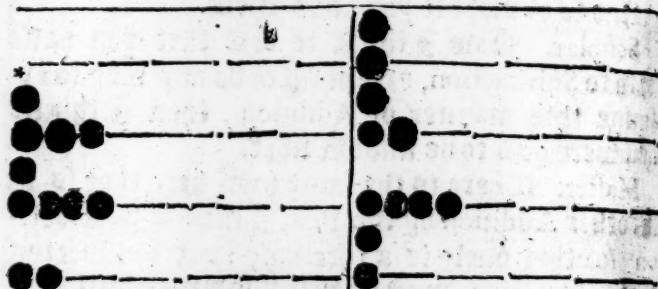
Master. There is the same proof here that is in the other Addition by the Pen, I meane Subtraction; for that onely is a sure way: but considering that Subtraction, must be first known, I will first teach you the Art of Subtraction, and that by this Example.

## Subtraction.

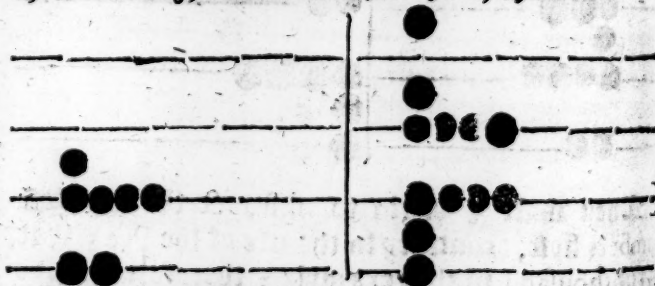
I would subtract 2892 out of 8746. These summes must I set downe as I did in Addition: but here it is best to set the lesser number first, thus:



Then shall I begin to subtract the greatest numbers first, (contrary to the use of the Pen) that is the thousand in this example: therefore I finde among the thousands 2, for which I withdraw so many from the second summe, (where are 8) and so remaineth there 6; as this example sheweth.



Then doe I likewise with the hundreds, of which in the first summe I finde 8, and in the second summe but 7, out of which I cannot take 1, therefore this must I doe: I must look how much my summe differeth from 10, which I finde here to be 2, then must I abate for my summe of 800, one thousand, and set down the excesse of hundreds, that is to say 2, for so much as 1000 is more then I should take up: therefore from the first summe I take that 800, and from the second summe (which are 6000) I take up one thousand, and leaue 5000, but then I set down the 200 onto the 700 that are there already, and make them 900, thus:



Then come I to the Articles of tennes, where in the first summe I finde 90, and in the second summe but onely 40, Now considering that 90 cannot be abated



abated from 40, I looke how much that 90 doth differ from the next summe above it, that is, 100 (or else which is all to one effect) I looke how much 9 doth differ from 10, and I finde it to be 1 : then in the stead of that 90, I doe take from the second summe 100 : but con-

sidering that is 10 too much, I set down 1 in the next line beneath for it, as you see here.

Having that here I have set 1 Counter in the space instead of 5 in the next line. And thus I have subtracted all save 1, which I must abate from 6 in the second summe, and there will remain 4 thus.

So that if I subtract 1892, from 8746 the remainder will be 5854.

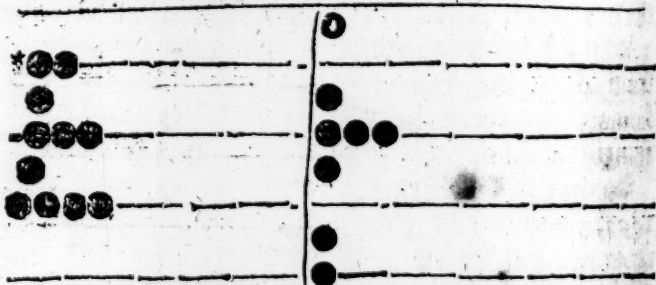
And that this is truly wrought you may prove by Addition : for if you adde to this remainder the same summe that you did subtract, then will the former summe 8746 amount again.

Scholar. That will I prove, and first I set the A proof of summe that was subtracted, which was 1892, and Subtraction. then the remainder 5854. thus :

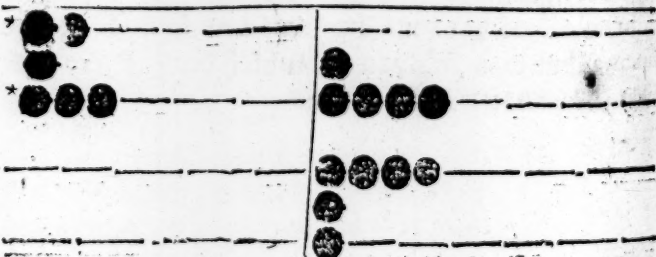




Then doe I adde the first 2 to 4, which maketh 6 : so take I up 5 of those Counters, and in their stead I set 1 in the space : and one in the lowest line, as here appeareth.

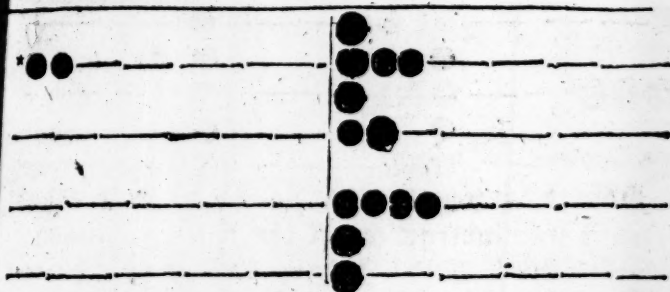


Then do I adde the 90 next above to the 50, and it maketh 140. Wherefore I take up those 6 Counters, and for them I set 1 to the hundreds in the third line, and 4 in the second line thus :



Then

Then doe I come to the hundreds, of which I finde 8 in the first summe, and 8 in the second, that maketh 1600, therefore I take up those 8 counters, and in their Head I set 1 in the fourth line, and 1 in the space next beneath, and in the third line, as you may see here.



Then is there left in the first summe but onely 200, and in the second 5000, which is 7000, which I shall take up from thence, and set in the same line in the second summe to the one that is there already: and there will the whole summe appeare as you may well see to be 8746, which was the first grosse sum: and therefore I do perceiue that I had well subtracted before.

And thus may you see how Subtraction may be tried by Addition.

Scholar. I perceiue the same order here with Counters, that I learned before in figures.

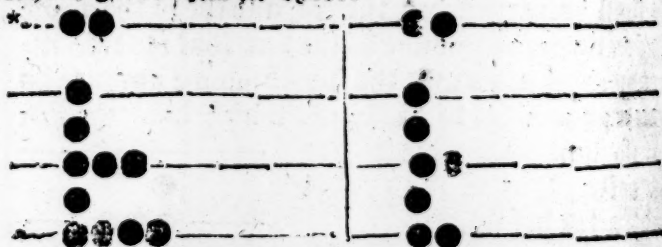
Master. Then let me see how you can trie Addition by Subtraction.

Scholar. First I will set forth this example of Addition, where I have added 2189 to 4988. And the whole summe appeareth to be 7177.

Proof of  
Addition  
by Sub-  
traction.

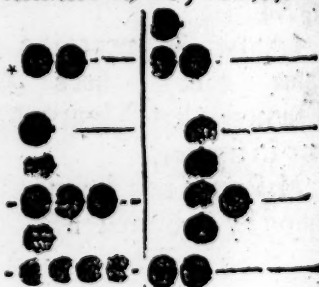


Now to try whether that summe be well added or no, I will subtract one of the first two summes from the third. And if I have well done, the remainder will be like that other summe: as for example, I will subtract the first summe from the third, which I set thus in order.

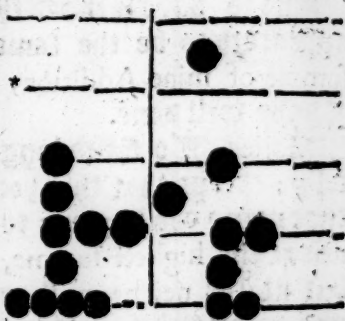


When do I subtract 2000 of the first summe, from the second summe, & then remains there 5000, thus:

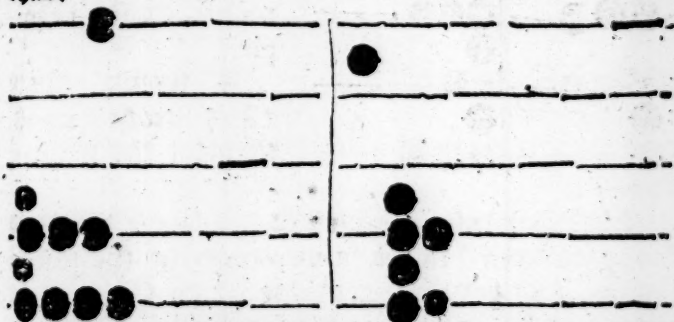
When in the third line I subtract the 100 of the first from the second summe, where is onely 100 also: and then in the third line, resteth nothing, as you may see in this example following.



Then in the second line with his space over him I finde 80, which I should subtract from the other summe : then seeing there are but only 70, I must take it out of some higher summe, which is here onely



5000: therefore I take up 5000: and seeing that is so much by 4920, I set downe so many in the second roome, which with the 70 being there already do make 4990, and then the summes do stand thus.



Yet remaineth therein the first summe 9, to be abated from the second summe, where in that place of unites doth appear onely 7: then must I abate a higher summe, that is to say 10, but seeing that 10 is more then 9 (which I should abate) by 1, therefore shall I take up one Counter from the second, and set downe the same in the first line, or lowermost line, as you see here.

And

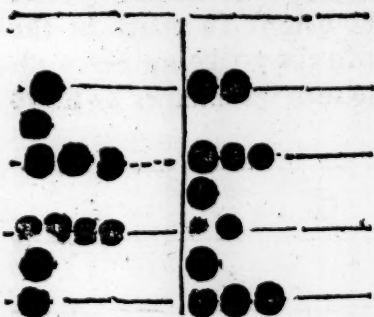
And so have I ended this work, and the summe appeareth to be the same which was the second summe of mine Addition, and therefore I perceive I have well done.

Another  
way of  
Addition.

Master. To stand longer about this, it is but folly: except that this you may also understand, that many doe beginne to subtract with Counters, not at the highest summe, as I have taught you, but at the neiermost, as they doe use to add;

and when the summe to be abated in any line appeareth greater then the other, then doe they borrow out of the next higher roome, as for example.

I should abate 1846 from 2378, they set the summes thus:



First they take 6 which is the lower line, and his space from 8 in the same roome in the second summe, and yet there remaineth two Counters in the lowest line. Then in the second line must 4 be subtracted from 7, and so remaineth there 3. Then 800 in the third line, and his space, from 300 of the second summe cannot be, therefore doe they abate it from a higher roome, that is, from 1000, and because 1000 is too much by 200, therefore must I set downe 200 in the third line, after I have taken up 1000 from the fourth line. When is there yet 1000 in the fourth line of the first summe, which I I withdraw from the second summe, then

doe



For all Figures stand in order thus: 532.



So that (as you see) it differeth not greatly whether you begin Subtraction at the higher lines, or at the lower.

Howbeit, as some men like that one way best, so some like the other: therefore you now knowing both may use which you list.

## Multiplication.

**B**Ut now touching Multiplication: you shall set your numbers into two roomes, (as you did in those other kindes) but so that the multiplier bee set in the first roome, then shall you begin with the highest numbers of the second roome, and multiply them first after this sort.

Take the overmost line in your first working as it were the lowest line, setting on it some moveable mark (as you list) and looke how many Counters bee in him, take them up, and for them set downe the whole multiplier so many times as you tooke up Counters: reckoning (I say) that line for the Unites. And when you have done with the highest number, then



then come to the next line beneath, and doe so euen  
with it, and so with the next, till you haue done all.  
And if there bee any number in a space, then for it  
shall you take the multiplier five times, & then must  
you reckon that line for the Unites, which is next  
beneath that space. Or else after a shorter way, you  
shall take onely halfe the multiplier, but then shall  
you take the line next above the space for the line  
of Unites. But in each working, if by chance your  
multiplier bee an odde number, so that you cannot  
take the halfe of it iustly, then must you take the  
greater halfe, and set down that, as if that it were  
the iust halfe : and further, you shall set one  
Counter in the space between that line, which you  
reckon for the line of unites, or else onely remove  
forward the same that is to be multiplid.

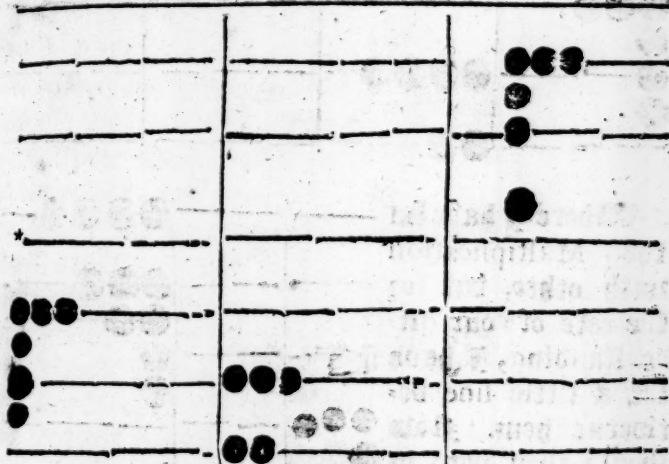
Scholar. If you set forth an example hereof, I  
think I shall perceiue you.

Master. Take this example : I would multiply  
1342 by 365, therefore I set my numbers thus.



Then first I begin at the 1000 in the highest  
roome, as if it were the first place, and I take it up  
setting down for it so often (that is once) the  
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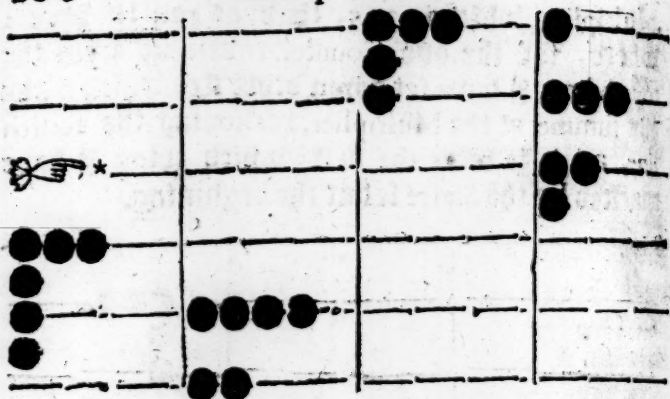
Multiplier, which is 365, thus as you see here :  
where, for the one Counter taken up from the  
fourth line, I have set down other six which make  
the summe of the Multiplier, reckoning the fourth  
line, as if it were the first, which thing I have  
marked by the Scarre set at the beginning.



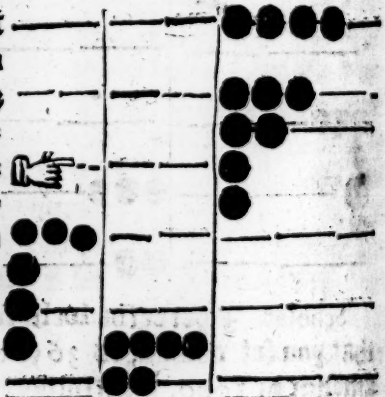
Scholar. I perceiue well, for indeed this summe  
that you set downe, is 365000 : for so much doth  
amount of 1000, multiplied by 365.

Master. Well then goe forth, in the next space  
I finde one Counter, which I remove forward,  
but take it not up, but (as in such a case I must)  
set downe the greater halfe of my Multiplier (seeing  
it is an odde number) which is 182, and here do I  
still let that fourth place stand as if it were the first,  
as in these examples you shall see.

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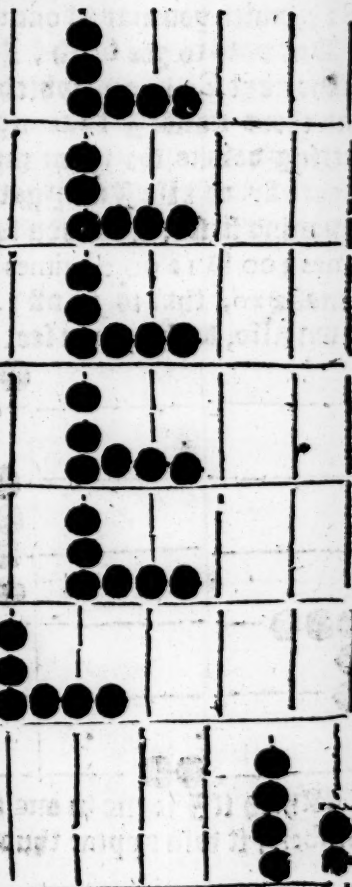


Where I have set  
the Multiplication  
with other, but for  
the ease of your un-  
derstanding, I have  
set a little line be-  
twene them. Now  
should they both in  
one summe stand  
thus.



**Hobbel**, another forme to multiply such Counters in space is this : first to remove the finger to the next line beneath the space, and then to take up the Counter, and to set downe the Multiplier five times, as here you see,

Another forme of Multiplication.



Which summes, if you doe adde together, into one summe, you shall perceiue that it will be the same that appeareth of the other working before, so that both sorts are to one intent : but as the other is shorter, so this is plainer to reason, for such as have had small exercise in this Art.

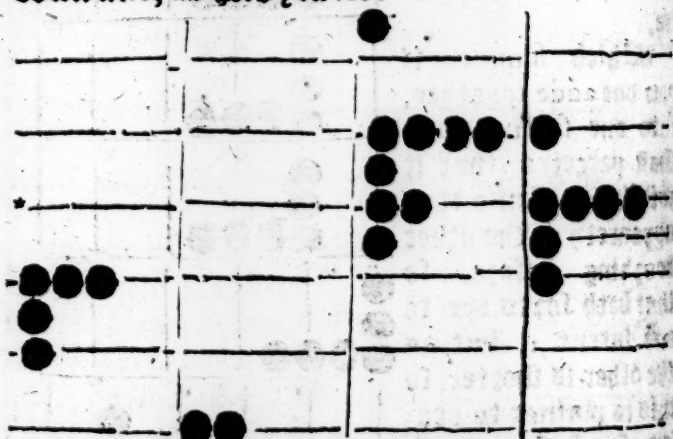
**Notwithstanding** you may adde them in your minde before you set them down : as in this example you might have said five times

300 is 1500, and five times 60 is 300, also five times five is 25, which all put together doe make

1825,

1825, which you may at one time set down if you list.

But now to goe forth, I must remove the hand to the next Counters, which are in the second line, and there must I take up those foure Counters, setting downe for them my multiplier foure times severally, or else I may gather the whole summe in my mind first; and then set it down: as to say, 4 times 300 is 1200: 4 times 60 are 240: & 4 times 5 make 20, that is in all 1460: that shall I set down also, as here you see.



Which if I joine in one summe with the former numbers, it will appear thus.





Then to end this Multiplication, I remove the finger to the lowest line where are onely 3, then doe I take up, and in their stead doe I set down twice 365, that is 730, for which I set one in the space above the 3 line for 500, & 2 more in the 3 line with that one that is there already & the rest in their order, & so have I well ended the whole sume thus :

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Whereby you see, that 1542 (which is the number of years since Christ his Incarnation) being multiplied by 365 (which is the number of the daies in a year) doth amount to 562830. which declareth the number of daies since Christs incarnation unto the end of 1542 years, besides 385 daies, & 12 hours for leap years.

Scholar. Now will I prove by another example, Example of wages.  
as this : 40 Labourers (after 6 pence the day for each man) have wrought 28 daies. I would know what their wages doth amount unto.

In this case must I work doubly ; first I must multiply the number of the Labourers, by the wages of a man for one day, so will the charge of every day amount.

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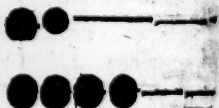
Where

Then secondly, shall I multiply the charge of one day by the whole number of daies, and so till the whole summe appear : first therefore I shall set the summes thus.



Where in the first place is the Multiplier (that is one daies wages for one man) & in the second space is set the number of the workmen to be multiplied.

Then say : If 6 times foure (reckoning that second line as the line of unites) maketh 24, for which summe I should set two counters in the third line, and 4 in the second, therefore do I set two in the third line, and let the 4 stand still in the second line thus.

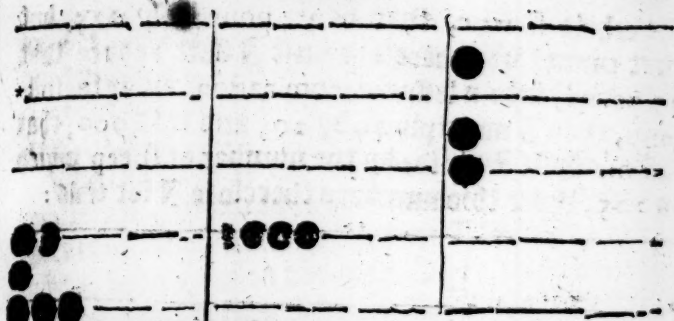


So appeareth the whole dayes wages to be 240 pence, that is 20 shillings.

Then do I multiply again the same summe by the number of dayes; & first I set the numbers thus : then because there are counters in divers lines I shall begin with the highest, and take them up setting for them the Multiplier so many times as I took up counters, that is twice, then will the summe stand thus.



Then



Then come I to the second line, and take up those 4 counters, setting for them the Multiplier 4 times, so will the whole summe appeare thus:

So is the whole wages of 40 workmen for 28 dayes after 6 pence each day for a man, 6720 pence, that is, 560 shillings, or 28 pound.

Master. Now if you would prove Multiplication, the surest way is by division: therefore will I overpasse it till I have taught you the Art of division, which you shall work thus:

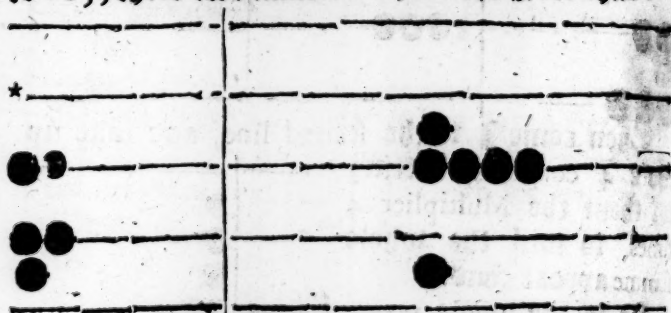
Division.

First, set down the Divisor, for feare of forgetting, and then set that number that shall be divided at the right side, so farre from the Divisor, that the quotient may be set between them: as for example.

If 25 sheep cost 45 pound, what did every sheep cost? To know this, I would divide the

An example of sheep.

the whole summe, that is 45 pound by 225, but that cannot be: therefore must I first reduce that 45 pound, into a lesser denomination, as into shillings, then I multiply 44 by 20, and it is 900; that summe shall I divide by the number of sheep, which is 225, these two numbers therefore I set thus:



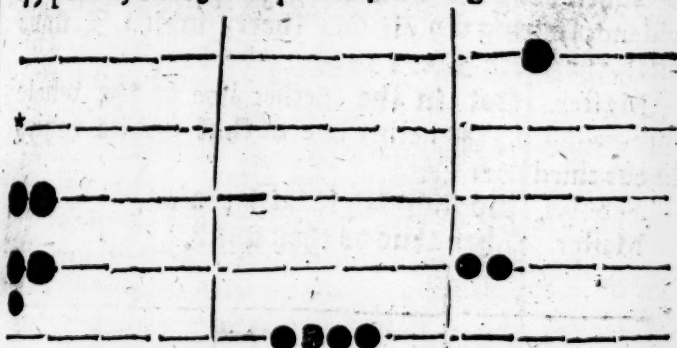
Then begin I at the highest line of the dividend, and seek how oft I may have the divisor therein, and that I may do four times: then say I, four times 2 are 8, which if I take from 9, there remaineth but 1, thus:



And because I found the divisor 4 times in the dividend, I have set as you see, 4 in the middle room, which is the place of the quotient: but note

must I take the rest of the divisor as often out of the remainder, therefore come I to the second line of the divisor, saying two times 4 makes 8, take 8 from 10, and there remaineth 2, thus :

Then come I to the lowest number, which is 5, & multiply it 4 times, so is it 20, that take I from 20, & there remaineth nothing, so that I see my quotient to be 4, which are in value shillings, for so was the dividend: and thereby I know that if 325 sheep cost 45 pound, every sheep cost 4 shillings.



Scholar. This can I do as you shall perceive by Example the example. If 160 Souldiers do spend every moneth 68 pound, what spendeth each man? Example of souldiers wages,

First, because I cannot divide the 68 by 160, therefore I will turn the pounds into pence by Multiplication, so shall there be 16320 pence: now must I divide the summe by the number of Souldiers, therefore I set them in order thus :

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Then begin I at the highest place of the dividend, seeking my division there, which I finde once, therefore I set 1 in the nether line.

Master. Put in the nether line of the whole summe, but in the nether line of that worke which is the third line.

Scholar. So standeth it with reason.

Master. Then thus do they stand.

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Then seeke I againe the rest, how often I may finde my divisor : and I see that in 300 I might finde 100 three times : but then the 60 will not be so often found in 20, therefore I take 2 for my quotient : then take I 100 twice from 300, and there resteth 100, out of which with the 20 that maketh 120, I may take 60 also twice, and then stand the numbers thus :

where





Where I have set the quotient 2 in the lowest line: so is every Souldiers portion 102 pence that is 8 shillings 6 pence.

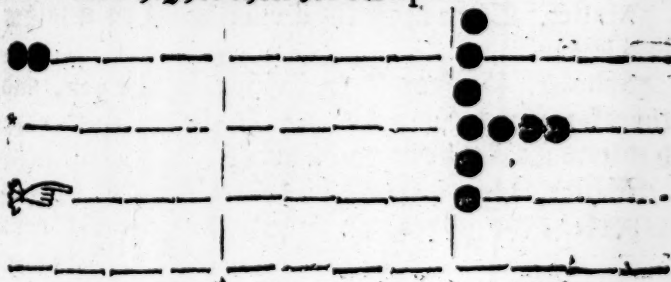
Master. But yet because you may justly perceite the reason of division, it shall be good that you set your divisor still against those numbers from which you do take it, as by this example I will declare.

If the purchase of 200 acres of ground did cost 290 pound, what did one acre cost?

First, will I turne the pounds into pence, so will there be 69600 pence. When in setting down these numbers, I shall do thus:

An example of purchase.

First set the dividend on the right hand as it ought, and then the divisor on the left hand against those numbers from which I intend to take him first, as here you see, where I have set the divisor two lines higher then his own place.



Scholar. This is like the order of division by the Pen.

Master. Truth you say, and now must I set the quotient of this work in the third line, for that is the line of unites in respect of the divisor in this work.

When I see how often the divisor may be found in the dividend, and that I finde 3 times, then set I 3 in the third line for the quotient, and take away that 60000 from the dividend: and further I set the divisor one line lower, as you see here.



And then seek I how often the divisor will be taken from the number against it, which will be four times and 1 remaining.

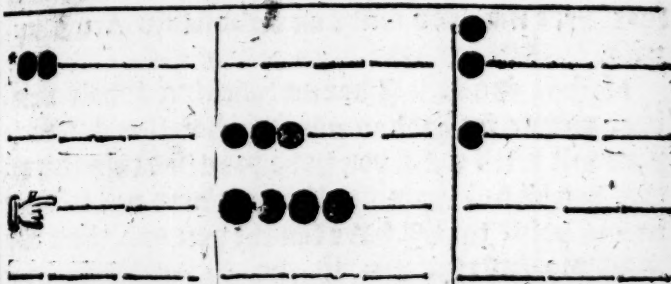
Scholar. But what if it chance that when the divisor is so removed it cannot be once taken out of the dividend against it?

Master. Then must the divisor be set in another line lower.

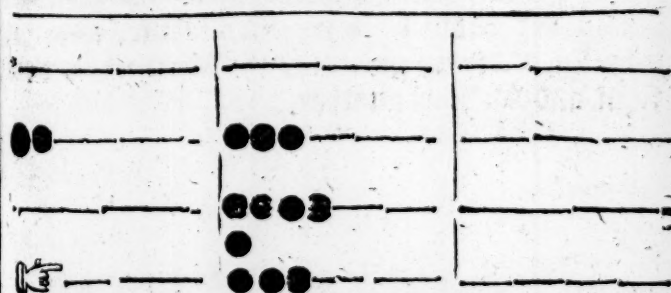
Scholar. So was it in division by the pen, and therefore was there a cypher set in the quotient: but how shall that be noted here?

Master. Here needeth no token, for the lines do represent the places, onely look that you set your quotient

quotient in that place which standeth for unites in respect of the divisor. But now to return to the example: I finde the divisor four times in the dividend, and 1 remaining: for 4 times 2 make 8, which I take from 9, and there resteth 1, as this figure following sheweth: and in the middle space for the quotient, I set 4 in the second line, which is in this work the place of unites.



Then remove I the divisor to the next lower line, and seek how often I may have it in the dividend, which I may do here 8 times just, and nothing remain, as in this form.



Where you may see that the whole quotient is 348 pence, that is 29 shillings, whereby I know that so much cost the purchase of one Acre.

Scholar.

Scholar. Now resteth the proofs of Multiplication, and also division.

Master. Their best proofs are each one by the other; for Multiplication is proved by division, and division by Multiplication, as in the work by the pen you learned.

Scholar. If that be all, you shall not need to repeat again that which was sufficiently taught already: and except you will teach me any other feat, here may you make an end of this Art, I suppose.

The reason of all the former rules.

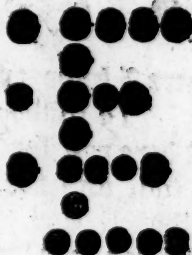
Master. So will I doe as teaching whole number, and as for broken number I will not trouble your wit with it, till you have practised this so well, that you be full perfect, so that you need not to doubt in any point that I have taught you, and then may I boldly instruct you in the Art of Fractions or broken numbers: wherein I will also shew you the reasons of all that you have now learned. But yet before I make an end, I will shew you the order of common casting, wherein are both pence, shillings, and pounds, proceeding by no grounded reason, but onely by a received forme, and that diversly, of divers men: for the Merchants use one form, and Auditors another.

Merchants.

# Merchants use.

Merchants  
Accomp.

**B**ut first for Merchants  
form, mark this example  
here, in which I have ex-  
pressed this summe, 198  
pounds 19 shillings 11  
pence. So that you may see  
that the lowest line serveth  
for pence, the next above for  
shillings, the third for pounds,  
and the fourth for scores of  
pounds.



And further you may see that the space between  
pence and shillings, may receive but one counter,  
(as all other spaces likewise do) and that one stand-  
eth in that place for 6 pence.

Likewise between the shillings and the pounds  
one counter standeth for 10 shillings.

And between the pounds and 20 pounds, one  
counter standeth for 10 pounds.

But beside these, you may see at the left side of  
shillings, that one number standeth alone and  
betokeneth 5 shillings.

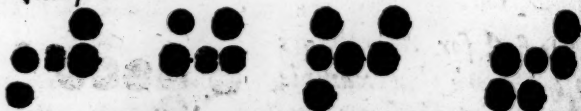
So against the pounds, that one counter standeth  
for 5 pound. And against the 20 pounds, the one  
counter standeth for five score pounds, that is 100  
pounds: so that every side counter is five times so  
much as one of them against which he standeth.

Auditors

## Auditors Accompt.

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accompt.

**N**ow for the Accompt of Auditors, take this ex-  
ample.



Where I have expressed the same summe 198  
pound 19 shillings 11 pence.

But here you see the pence stand towards the  
right hand, and the other increasing orderly to-  
wards the left hand.

Again you may see, that Auditors will make two  
lines (yea and moze) for pence, shillings, and all  
other values, if their summes extend thereto. Also  
you see that they set one Counter at the right end  
of each row, which so set there standeth for five of  
that room, and on the left corner of the row, it  
standeth for 10 of the same row.

But now if you would add, or subtract after any  
of both these sorts, if you mark the order of the o-  
ther feat which I taught you, you may easily do the  
same here without much teaching: for in Addition  
you must first set down one summe, and to the same  
set the other orderly, and in like manner, if you  
have many; but in Subtraction, you must set down  
first the greatest summe, and from it must you abate  
the other, every Denomination from his due place.

Scholar. I do not doubt but with a little practise  
I shall attain these both: but how shall I multiply  
and divide after these forms?

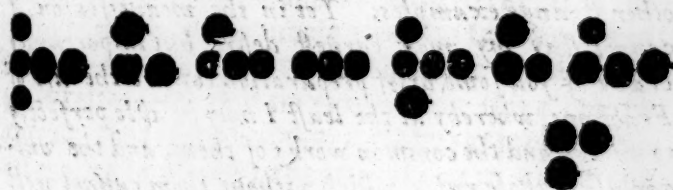
M. You cannot duely do any of both by these sorts:  
therefore in such case you must resort to your other  
Arts.

Scholar.



Scholar. They that use such Accounts that it exceed 200 in the summe, they set not 5 at the left hand of the scores of pounds, but they set all the hundreds in another farther row, & 500 at the left hand thereof, and the thousands they set in a farther row yet, and at the left side thereof they set the 5000, and in the space over they set the 10000, and in a higher row 20000, which all I have expressed in this example, which is 97869 pounds 12 shillings 9 pence ob. q. Ninetey seven thousand, eight hundred threescore. and nine pounds, twelve shillings and nine pence half peny farthing, for I had not told you before, where neither how you should set downe farthings, which (as you see here) must be set in a boide place saveling beneath the pence, for a farthing one counter, ob. two counters, for ob. farthing 3 counters, and more there cannot be: for 4 farthings make 1 peny, which must be set in his due place.

And if you desire the same summe after Auditors manner, lo here it is.



But

But in this thing you shall take this for sufficient, and the rest you shall observe as you may by the working of each sort, for the divers sorts of men have invented divers and sundry ways, almost innumerable.

THE  
SECOND PART OF  
ARITHMETICK,  
touching Fractions, briefly set forth  
Scholar.

Arithmet-  
ticall fra-  
ctions.



*Albeit I perceive your manifold busi-  
ness doth so occupie, or rather oppress you,  
that you cannot as yet compleatly end  
the Treatise of Fractions Arithme-  
ticall, which you have prepared, where-  
in not onely sundry works of Geometry,  
Musick, and Astronomy be largely set forth, but also  
divers conclusions and naturall works touching mix-  
tures of Metals, and compositions of Medicines, with  
other strange examples. Yet in the meane season, I  
cannot stay my most earnest desire, but importunately  
crave of you some brief preparation toward the use of  
Fractions, whereby at the least I may be able perfectly  
to understand the common works of them; and the vul-  
gar use of those rules, which without them cannot well  
be wrought.*

*Master. If my leasure were as great as my wish*

is god. you should not need to use any importunate craving, for the attaining of that thing, whereby I may be persuaded that I shall any way profit the Common wealth, or help the honest studies of any good Members in the same : wherefore while mine attendance will permit me to walk and talk, I am well willing to help you as I may.

Wherefore, first to begin with the explication of this name fraction, what take you it to be ?

Scholar. Marry sir, I think a fraction (as I <sup>What a Fraction is</sup> have heard it often named) to be a broken number, that is to say, to be no whole number but part of a number.

Master. A fraction indeed is a broken number, and so consequently the part of another number, but that must be understood of such another number as cannot be divided into any other parts then fractions: for although I may take the third part of 60, or the 4 part of it, & so of other parts diversly, yet those parts be not properly, nor ought to be called fractions, because they may be expressed by whole numbers. for the 3 part of it is 20, the 4 part is 15, the 12 part is 5, & so forth of other parts, all which be whole numbers.

Wherefore properly a fraction expresseth the <sup>What a Fraction is Properly.</sup> parts or part onely of a unite, that is to say, that the number which is the whole or entire summe of any fraction. may not be greater then one : and therefore it followeth, that no one fraction alone can be so great, that it shall make 1, as by example I will declare. as soon as I have taught you to know the form how a fraction is expressed or represented in writing.

Nume-

## Numeration.

The ex-  
pressing of  
fractions.



Ut first to begin with expressing of a fraction, which is the Numeration of it: you must understand that a fraction is represented by two numbers set one over the other, and a line drawn between them, as thus  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{2}{3}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\frac{10}{17}$ , which four fractions you must pronounce, thus,  $\frac{1}{3}$  one third part,  $\frac{3}{4}$  three quarters,  $\frac{2}{5}$  two fifth parts,  $\frac{10}{17}$  ten seventeen parts.

Scholar. I understand this form of their expression and pronounciation, but their meaning or valuation seemeth more obscure. Yet I think that by the two first Fractions, I understand the valuation of the two latter Fractions, and consequently of other.

Master. Value them then, that I may perceive your taking of them.

Scholar.  $\frac{2}{5}$  betokene's two fift parts, that is to say, if one be divided into 5 parts, that Fraction doth expresse two of those 5 parts:  $\frac{10}{17}$  doth signifie, that if one be divided into 17 parts, I must take ten of them. And this I gather of the two first examples: so  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is, one third part, doth easily declare, that if one thing be divided into three parts, I must take out one of them: so  $\frac{3}{4}$ , that is three quarters, doth declare that one being divided into four quarters, I must take (so this Fraction) three of those quarters.

If there be no more difficultie in this Numeration, then I pray you goe forward to their Addition and Subtraction, and so to the other kindes of workes. For I understand that the same kindes

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of workes be in fractions, that be in whole numbers.

**Master.** There are the same kindes of workes in both, albeit the order of them is others, as I will anon declare : but yet more in Numeration before Numerator. we leave it. You must understand, that those two numbers which expresse a fraction, have severall Denominator. names, the overmost which is above the line, is called the Numerator, & the other beneath the line is called the Denominator.

**Scholar.** And what is the reason of their divers names? For (in mine opinion) both be Numerators, seeing both doe expresse the numeration of the fraction.

**Master.** You are deceived; for one onely (which is the overmost) doth expresse the Numeration, and the Denominator doth declare the number of parts, into which the unite is divided, as in this example; when I say : divide a pound weight of gold between foure men, so that the first man shall have  $\frac{2}{5}$ , the second  $\frac{3}{5}$ , the third  $\frac{1}{5}$ , and the fourth  $\frac{6}{5}$ .


Now doe you perceive that by the Denominator (which is one in all foure fractions) it is intended that the pound weight should be divided into so many parts, I meane 5, and by the 4 severall Numerators, is limited the divers portion that each man should have, that is, that when the whole is parted into 5, the first man shall have two of those 5 parts : the second man three of them : the third man foure : and the fourth man six. And so may you see the severall offices (as it were) of those two numbers, I meane of the Numerator and the Denominator.

And hereby you perceivethat a man can have no more parts of any thing then it was divided into



into, neither yet aptly so many: so that it were unaptly said, *You shall have  $\frac{15}{15}$* , that is fifteen parts of any thing, seeing it were better said, *you shall have the whole thing*.

Scholar. *So doth it appeare reasonably, for the labour is vaine to diuide any thing, and then to apply the Division to no use. And much lesse reasonable were it to say  $\frac{16}{15}$* : for if the whole be diuided into 15 parts onely it is not possible to take 16 of them, that is to say, more then all together.

 Master. *This is true touching the proper and apt use of the name of a Fraction; yet improperly (and after a vulgar acceptation for easinesse in worke) both those formes be called Fractions, because they be written like Fractions although they bee none indeed: for  $\frac{15}{15}$  and generally in such other, where the Numerator and Denominator be equall, are not Fractions, but the whole thing with all his parts: And so  $\frac{14}{12}$  is not to be called a Fraction, but a mixt number, of a whole number and a Fraction, for it is as  $1\frac{1}{3}$ , that is, one whole and  $\frac{1}{3}$  parts; as shall be declared in Reduction. Therefore they do abuse the names that call them Fractions, where the Numerator is either equal, or greater then the Denominator.*

An improper fraction of a mixt number.

Scholar. *But is there any needfull cause, why they should so abuse the name?*

Master. *There is cause why they shall sometimes for easinesse in worke write some numbers, after that sort like Fractions: but they needed not to call them Fractions, but (as they be) whole numbers, or mixt numbers, (that is, whole numbers with Fractions) expessed like Fractions.*



or as improper Fractions.

Now must you understand, that as no Fraction properly can be greater then one, so in smallnesse under one the nature of Fractions doth extend infinitely, as the nature of whole numbers is to increase above one infinitely, so that not onely one may be divided into infinite Fractions or parts, but also every Fraction may be divided into infinite Fractions or parts, which commonly be called fractions of Fractions: and they be expressed diversly as for example,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , that is, three Fractions of fractions of fractions. by is signified, that if one be divided into 2 halles, and the one halfe into three parts, and two of those three parts be divided jointly into foure quarters; this fraction of fractions doth represent three of those quarters.

Scholar. I pray you let me prove by an example in common money, whether I doe rightly understand you or no. One Crowne which I take so; an unite, doth contain 60 pence; therefore the halfe of it is 30 pence,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of that halfe is 15 pence, whereof  $\frac{1}{3}$  is fifteen pence; so then 15 pence is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Crowne: and so is 3 pence  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a shillings.

Master. You perceiue this well enough: yet this note I give you by the way, that the form of expressing the fractions is voluntary, and hath no other reason then the will of the Divisor, which form many follow: for some expresse them thus;  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  without any figure of distinction between them, which form also many follow. Some other doe make lines betwene every fraction, and adde words of distinction, after this sort,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which

which form is best.

Some other expresse them thus in slope form, to distinct them from fractions of whole numbers, for if they were in one right line thus,  $\frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{2}{3}$   $\frac{1}{2}$  then ought it to be pronounced, three quarters, & two third parts, & a halfe, which maketh almost two whole unites, lacking but one twelfth part. And so is it nothing agreeable with the other fraction of fractions: wherefore it is a great oversight in certain learned men, which doe expresse them so confusely with such severall fractions, that a man cannot know the one from the other.

Therefore some men (as Stifelius) do expresse without a line, numbers of proportion, being applied to Addition or Subtraction, because they must be taken as 2, where the line in fractions maketh them to be taken for one: for of the Numerator and Denominator is made one number.

Three severall varieties.

Schol. When I perceiue there be three severall varieties in fractions: First, when one onely fraction is set for one number, as  $\frac{4}{5}$ , that is, foure fifth parts. The second is, when there be set two or more severall fractions of one number, as  $\frac{4}{5}$ ; that is, foure ninth parts, and two fifth parts. The third sort is fractions of fractions, as  $\frac{4}{5}$  of  $\frac{2}{3}$ , that is, foure ninth parts of two fifth parts.

Master. You have said well, if you understand well your own words.

Scholar. If it shall please, I will by an example in the parts of an old English Angel, expresse my meaning.

Master. Let me hear you.

Scholar.

Scholar. The old English Angel did contain 7 shillings 6 pence, that is, 90 pence : Now  $\frac{2}{3}$  of it is 72 pence : And of the same 90 pence, if I take  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{5}$ , that is foure ninth parts, and two fifth parts,  $\frac{1}{3}$  is 40, and  $\frac{2}{5}$  is 36, which both make 76 : but if I take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{2}{5}$ , that is, foure ninth parts of two fifth parts, being  $\frac{4}{45}$  is but 36, then  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 36 will yeeld but 16, for  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 36 is but 12, and that taken foure times maketh 16.

Master. This is plainly exprest, and truly, and hereby (I doubt not) but you doe perceiue, that as great a difference, as is between 16 and 76, so much difference is between those two Fractions  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{5}$  : and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{2}{5}$ .

And now that ye understand these varieties, I will proceed to the rest of the works : First, admonishing you, that there is another order to be followed in Fractions, then there was in whole numbers : for in whole numbers this was the order : Numeration, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division, & Reduction : but in Fractions, (to follow the same aptnesse in proceeding from the easiest The order of works in fractions. to the harder) we must use this order of works, Numeration, Reduction, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division.

Scholar. That Addition and Subtraction should go together, & Division to follow Multiplication, naturall order doth perswade : but why Reduction should be first in order here, next to Numeration, and Addition & Subtraction, in the middle, I desire to understand the reason.

Master. As in the Art of whole numbers, Order would reasonably begin with the easiest, and so

goe forward by degrees to the hardest: then reason teacheth in Fraction the like order. And consider that Addition or Subtraction of Fractions can very seldome be wrought without Reduction: & contrariwise, Reduction may be wrought without this form of Addition or Subtraction: therefore was it orderly required, that Reduction should go before Addition and Subtraction, and this reason serveth for the placing of Reduction before the other.

Scholar. Then, if Reduction be the easiest, may you declare the forme of it, first by rule, and then by example.

Master. Your request is good.

## Reduction of Fractions.

Of Reduction of Fractions, there are five varieties.



Herefore will I now declare the diversities of Reduction of fractions, which commonly hath five varieties, or formes.

First, when there bee sundry Fractions of one intire unite, they must be reduced to one Denomination, and also into one Fraction.

Secondly, when there be propounded fractions of fractions, they must be reduced likewise into one fraction: for otherwise they cannot bee brought into one Denomination.

Thirdly, when an improper fraction is propounded, that is to say, a fraction in form, which indeed is greater

greater then an unite : it must be reduced into apt form, expressing the unite or unites of it, and the proper fraction distinctly. And sometimes also it shall be needfull to convert such a mixt number of unites with fractions, into the form of a fraction, that is, into an improper fraction : which two forms I esteem but as one, because they work one kinde of number.

Fourthly, there happneth sometimes fractions to be written in great numbers, which might be written in lesser numbers : therefore is there a meane to reduce such great numbers into their smallest termes.

Fifthly, when any fraction betokeneth the parts of a whole thing, which hath by common partition certain parts, but none of like Denomination with that fraction, then may you reduce the said fractions into another, whose Denomination shall expresse the common parts of that whole thing.

Scholar. This distinction in Doctrine delighteth me much, but more with hope then present fruit : for as yet I doe not understand scarcely the varieties, and much lesse the practise and use of their works.

Master. Reduction is an orderly alteration of Numbers out of one forme into another, which is never done orderly but for some needfull use, as in every of the said five severall formes, I will distinctly declare.

First therefore, when two, or more severall fractions of any unite be propounded: as for example  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{5}{6}$ , because it is hard to tell what proportion of the intire number those two fractions do expresse. therefore was Reduction devised to be a mean whereby these severall fractions might be brought into one

The first  
forme of  
Reduction



Denomination and fraction.

And in these fractions, this is the Art for bringing them to one Denomination.

How to

reduce fractions of  
divers denominations  
into one denomination.

*Multiply first the Denominators together, and the totall thereof you shall set twice down under two severall lines for two new Denominators, or rather for one common Denominator. Then multiply the Numerator of the first fraction, by the Denominator of the second, and set the totall thereof for the Numerator over the first line. Likewise multiply the Numerator of the second fraction by the Denominator of the first, and set that totall over the second line for the Numerator of that fraction: and so are these two first Fractions of severall Denominations, brought to one Denomination.*

Scholar. If I understand you, as I thinke I doe my Example shall declare the same. The Fractions, which you propounded were these  $\frac{3}{16}$ , and  $\frac{4}{6}$ , whose Denominators (being 16 and 6) I multiply together, and there amounteth 96, which I set under two lines, thus:  $\frac{\quad}{96}$

Then I multiply the Numerator of the first Fraction by the Denominator of the second, saying, 3 into 6 maketh 18, that I set over the first line for a new Numerator, and it will be thus,  $\frac{18}{96}$ .

Likewise I multiply the Numerator of the second Fraction, by the Denominator of the first, saying, 4 times 16 maketh 64, that I set for the second Numerator, and the Fraction will appear thus,  $\frac{64}{96}$ .

So that both Fractions brought to one Denomination, must stand thus,  $\frac{18}{96}$  and  $\frac{64}{96}$ .

Master. You have done well.

Scholar.



Scholar. I beseech you let me examine it after my accustomed forme, by common parts of coyne or other measure.

Master. Go to.

Scholar. I have a peece of Gold which is accounted worth 8 shillings, and containeth 96 pence, whereof  $\frac{1}{16}$  that is, the sixteenth part, is 6 pence, and  $\frac{1}{16}$  is 18 pence, that is  $\frac{18}{96}$ . Again  $\frac{1}{8}$  of the same peece of gold is 16 pence, so that  $\frac{1}{8}$  parts maketh 64 pence, that is  $\frac{64}{96}$ . And so I finde the summes to agree with the other before.

Master. So have you now the Art to bring two such fractions into one Denomination : And if there be more then two, then must you multiply all the Denominators together, and set the totall thereof so many times down as there be fractions ; and then to get for each one a new Numerator, multiply the Numerator of the first, by the Denominator of the second, and the totall thereof multiply by the Denominator of the third, and so forth, if there be more. Likewise multiply the Numerator of the second, by the Denominator of the first, and the totall thereof by the Denominator of the third. And in the same sort multiply the Numerator of the third into the Denominator of the first, and the totall thereof into the Denominator of the second, and so forth if there were more. So these three fractions  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{3}$  doe make by Reduction these other three fractions of Denomination.  $\frac{2}{60}, \frac{15}{60}, \frac{40}{60}$ . All which you may bring into one fraction by adding the Numerators together, and putting the totall for the totall Numerator, reserving still that same common Denominator. And those three fractions make one improper fraction, thus :  $\frac{12}{60}$ .

Note the Reduction of three fractions, or more, into one.

Scholar.

Scholar. All this I perceiue, and also that this last Fraction is more then an unite, and therefore you did call it an improper Fraction.

Master. Where be certain other formes of working in this Reduction, which I will briefly touch also, to giue you an occasion to exercise your wit therein.

The first variety of Reduction *The first variety is this: When you have made and written down your common Denominator (as I have taught before) then to get a numerator for the first, do thus: Divide the common denominator by the denominator of the first fraction, and the quotient multiplied by the numerator of the same yeeldeth a new numerator for the first new fraction. So likewise do with the second and the third, and with all the residues, if there be more.*

Scholar. That will I proue in your last example of these three fractions,  $\frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}$ . When the denominators be multiplied they make 60, for 5 into 4 maketh 20, and 20 by 3 yeeldeth 60. that I set down three times thus:  $\frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}$  then to haue a numerator, for the first, I must diuide 60 by 5 (the denominator of the first) and the quotient is 12, which I must multiply by 2 (the numerator first) and that maketh 24, and so haue I for the first Fraction,  $\frac{24}{60}$ .

Likewise for the second Fraction: I diuide 60 by 4, and there cometh 15, which I multiply by 3, and so haue I 45, for the second Fraction  $\frac{45}{60}$ . Then for the third in like sort will come  $\frac{50}{60}$ .

The second variety. *Master. Another way is this: If it happens so, that the lesser denominator, can by any multiplication make the greater, then note the multiplier, & by it multiply the numerator over that lesser denominator,*  
and

and for the lesser Denominator put the greater, as thus in these two fractions  $\frac{2}{12}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$ , three being the lesser Denominator multiplied by 4, will make 12, which is the greater Denominator: therefore by the same 4 I do multiply 2 which is the Numerator over 3, and that maketh 8: under which I do put 12, being the greater Denominator, which is also made by multiplication of 4 into 3, and so have I these two fractions  $\frac{2}{12}$  and  $\frac{8}{12}$ , thus shortly reduced, without altering the one Fraction.

Scholar. This I understand.

Master. Then mark this third way: If the Denominators doe not happen so, that one by Multiplication may make the other, then look whether they both may be parts of any other one number, as in  $\frac{2}{12}$  and  $\frac{7}{18}$ , although the lesser taken but twice, be too much to make 18, yet they both may be parts unto 36, therefore look how many times twelve is in 36, and that quotient being multiplied by the Numerator over 12, the totall shall be put in stead of the Numerator over 12, and for 5 put 15, thus,  $\frac{15}{36}$ . So likewise look how often is 18 in 36, because it is twice, therefore by 2 multiply 7, which is over 18, and it will be 14: set that for the Numerator, and in stead of 18 put 36; and then your Fractions reduced stand thus  $\frac{15}{36}$  and  $\frac{14}{36}$ , in stead of  $\frac{2}{12}$  and  $\frac{7}{18}$ .

And if you will prove whether you have wrought well or no, that may be proved by Reduction of them again to their former Denominations, which Art shall be taught in the fourth kinde of Reduction, where greater termes of Fractions be reduced into smaller in number, but no smaller in proportion. And if in such Reduction the same termes or numbers come again that were before, then

The third variety,

Prove.



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is the worke good, else not.

Scholar. Sir I heare your words, but I doe not understand many of them: which if it please you declare.

Master. With a good will, when convenient place serveth, but that must be in the said fourth kind of Reduction, which teacheth how to reduce fractions of fractions into one fraction, and so to one denomination.

The second form of Reduction of fractions of fractions into one fraction and Denomination.

When Fractions of Fractions be propounded, you shall multiply the numerators of each into other, and set the totall for the new Numerator, and then multiply all the Denominators likewise, and take their totall for the new Denominator, and so are they speedily reduced.

Scholar. If that be all, then I understand it already, as by this example I will declare. These be the fractions  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{4}{7}$  of  $\frac{6}{9}$  which I would reduce to one denomination, and proper simple fraction.

Wherefore begin I with the Numerators, and multiply them together, saying, 3 by 2, maketh 6: and 6 by 6, maketh 36, which multiplied by 7, yeeldeth 252: that I set over a line for the Numerator thus:

When I multiply the denominator, 4 by 3 maketh 12, and that by 7 byngeth 84, which multiplied by 9, yeeldeth 756, the new denominator. And so the whole reduced fraction is this, which is too hard a fraction for me to understand yet.

Master. You think so, and no marvell, but anon you shall learn to judge it easily, for this fraction is no more indeed then  $\frac{1}{3}$ , although it be in greater termes, & therefore more stranger, & more ob'scure.

And

And this sufficeth for this Reduction, save that I will show you by a figure of measure the just rate and reason of this kinde of fractions, and also the due understanding of their Reduction.

*The entire measure parted into 9.*

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|---|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|---|
| 1 | 2             | 3 | 4             | 5             | 6 | 7             | 8             | 9 |
| 1 | 2             | 3 | 4             | 5             | 6 | 7             | $\frac{2}{3}$ | 1 |
| 1 | 2             | 3 | 4             | 5             | 6 | $\frac{6}{7}$ | 1             |   |
| 1 | $\frac{2}{3}$ | 3 | 4             | $\frac{2}{3}$ | 1 |               |               |   |
| 1 | 2             | 3 | $\frac{2}{4}$ | 1             |   |               |               |   |

Here you see the longest measure, (which standeth for the whole & entire quantity) first parted into 9 divisions, whereof 7 are severed by the second measure: and thereof againe are parted out 6, and that 6 being distinct into three parts, two of them are parted by the fourth measure, of which fourth measure being divided into foure parts, the lowest measure both contain  $\frac{1}{4}$ , so that the same  $\frac{1}{4}$  must be named, not  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole measure, but indeed is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{6}{7}$  of  $\frac{2}{9}$ .

Scholar. This example is so sensible, that I cannot chuse but see it. And furthermore see also, that the same fraction is equall to  $\frac{1}{9}$  of the entire measure, as the lines which run up and down do expressly set forth. Also I see here that  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{6}{7}$  is equall to  $\frac{4}{7}$ , & further yet, that  $\frac{2}{7}$  of  $\frac{6}{7}$  is equall to  $\frac{12}{49}$ , or  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

Master. I am glad that you see it so well, not doubting but you will gather greater light of knowledge hereby.

But now it is time that wee come to the third forme of Reduction, which teacheth of improper Fractions,  
that



The third  
forme of  
Reduction  
of impro-  
per fracti-  
ons.

that is to say, mixt numbers of unites and fractions although they appear like fractions, as this  $5\frac{1}{5}$ , which doth conclude 5 unites wholly, and  $\frac{1}{5}$  over. Wherefore first you shall know them, by that the Numerator is greater then the Denominator.

Scholar. Indeed Sir, that appeareth reasonable, that if the Numerator do expresse more parts to be taken of any unite then the Denominator doth signify that unite to be divided 7 into it must needs follow, that such a Fraction importeth more then the whole, that is to say, the whole with certain parts over : but what Reduction is there in it ?

Two sever-  
all wayes  
in this Re-  
duction.

Master. There bee two severall kindes of Reducti-  
on, concerning such Fractions. Sometimes it shall  
bee needfull to convert these fractions into unites, and  
the proper fraction, that will remaine. And sometimes  
contrariwise, it shall be meet to reduce mixt numbers,  
that is, unites written with fractions, into the forme  
of one simple fraction, & so bee there two wayes.

Scholar. What is the mean of the first way to  
turn improper Fractions into unites with their  
proper Fractions ?

The fifth  
way.

Reduction  
of impro-  
per fracti-  
ons into  
unites,  
with their  
proper fra-  
ctions.

Master. That is thus ; Your numerator being  
greater then the denominator, must be divided by the  
same denomination, and the Quotient thereof  
expresseth the unites : the remainder shall be put for  
the numerator of the fraction that resteth, and the  
denominator must be the same that was before.

Scholar. For example, I take  $17\frac{2}{5}$ , and dividing  
17 by 5, the quotient will be 3, and there will re-  
main 2.

Master. What you must write thus,  $3\frac{2}{5}$ , where  
(you see) I have written 3 without any line, as  
entire



entire numbers ought to be written, and the 2 that remained, I have set over the former denominator, with a line, as a proper fraction. And this number doth signifie now three unites,  $\frac{2}{3}$  of one.

Scholar. When if I would by unites here understand Crownes, so it were 3 Crownes, and  $\frac{2}{3}$ , that is 2 s.

Master. Even so : and therefore  $\frac{17}{3}$  did signifie the same : But this happeneth sometimes that when the Reduction is so wrought, there remaineth nothing : And then it is not a mixt number, but a simple intire number, represented like a Fraction.

Scholar. As  $\frac{12}{3}$  will make th<sup>is</sup> 3 just, and  $\frac{18}{3}$  will make even 6. This I will remember. But now, what is the second form of reduction that you speake of for these sorts of fractions? The second way.

Master. Whensoever you have any of these two sorts of numbers, that is to say whole numbers without fractions, or whole numbers with fractions, and you would turn them into the form of a fraction, you must multiply the whole number by that denominator which you will have to remain still, and to the totall thereof adde the numerator, which you have already, and all that you shall set for the new numerator, keeping still the former denominator : As if you have  $6\frac{3}{4}$  which you would convert into an improper fraction, you must multiply 6 by 4, whereof cometh 24, and thereto adde the numerator, which is 3, and so have you 27 for the numerator, and 4 still for the denominator. Reduction of whole numbers either alone, or joyned with fractions into improper fractions.

Scholar. When is  $\frac{27}{4}$  equal to  $6\frac{3}{4}$ ?

Master. Even just, and so backward (as appeareth by the former Reduction)  $6\frac{3}{4}$  maketh  $\frac{27}{4}$ . Note.  
And

And thus one of their reductions may be the proof of the other work.

Scholar. This I perceive : But now if you would turn whole numbers without fractions into any fractions I see not how that may be done, because there is no Denominator to make the multiplication by.

Master. That is well marked : but this you know, that no man intendeth to turne any whole number into a fraction, but he hath in his minde that Denominator by which the multiplication must be made : for the proofs whereof I set downe 7, which is a whole number. And if you will have this number converted into any certain fraction, will me to do it.

Scholar. I pray you reduce 7 into a Fraction.

Master. Then you care not what the Fraction be, so it be some Fraction.

Scholar. No, I passe not for the sort of the Fraction.

Master. Then how can you thinke that you require me to do any thing certain, when you leave me to do as I list ? And seeing you stand at that stay, whether thinke you that I must first intend in minde what fraction I will make of it before I can do it indeed ?

Scholar. Else you should do ignorantly.

Master. Then will I limit my self (seeing you will not) to turne it into quarters. And therefore I multiply 7 by 4 (which is the denomination by quarters) and there amounteth 28 to be set for the Numerator and the 4 must be set for the denominator, and the fraction will be thus  $\frac{28}{4}$ .

Scholar.

Scholar. Indeed I perceiue this to be reasonable, for without much triall I understand that  $\frac{1}{2}$  of any thing doth make 7. And so then if I would turn 8 into 5 parts, it will make  $\frac{4}{5}$ ; which is all one with 8 : for 8 Crownes turned into 5 parts, (that is into shillings) will make 40 shillings, that is,  $\frac{4}{5}$  of a Crown.

Master. Seeing you understand now these three kinds of Reduction, I will declare unto you the fourth form of kind, that is, when fractions be written in greater termes then they need, how they may bee brought to lesser termes. The fourth form of Reduction

Scholar. To write any thing in greater termes then needeth, seemeth to be a fault, and so this Rule seemeth to amend that fault.

Master. It were a fault to do any thing without need, which after must bee redressed : but in this case it is not so, neither did I say absolutely (as you doe) that it needeth not to expresse those fractions in so great termes, but that the fractions doe not need. I meane for their value, to be understood : but yet it may be needfull for the ease of these workes whereto they be applyed ; as for example, In the first kind of Reduction this was your own example,  $\frac{1}{10}$  and  $\frac{2}{5}$  which when you would reduce, you were saide to turn them first into one denomination, and so appeared they thus,  $\frac{1}{10}$  and  $\frac{4}{10}$ , where the fractions (for their own understanding) needed not to be turned out of smaller termes into greater, but yet the easinesse of working needed it.

Scholar. Well, I understand now, not onely the difference of this need (for the fractions might better be understood as fractions severall,

each in his value, when they were in lesser termes, although they could not so well be reduced) but also I understand what you mean by greater termes, and lesser termes, whereof before I was in doubt. *Terms of Fractions.* I see you call the Numerator and Denominator, the termes of the fraction.

Master. I am glad you understand it so well: now when then you would value any fractions, because they may best be done when the termes are smallest, you shall reduce them to the smallest that you can, which thing you may do thus: Divide the greatest of any such two termes by the lesser, and if any thing remain, by that remainder divide the last divisor: and if any thing remain now, by that divide the first divisor (which was before the remainder of the last division) and so continue still, till nothing do remain in the division: and then marke your last divisor, for it is the number that will easily reduce your fractions, if you divide both the numerator and the denominator by the same number, and put for the numerator the quotient of his division, and for the denominator also his quotient, that riseth by his division.

Scholar. I take for example  $\frac{18}{36}$ , and because 36 is the greatest number, I divide it by 18, and the quotient is 2, and there resteth 0, what shall I do with this quotient?

Master. Nothing in this worke, but now seeing there remaineth somewhat, by that remainder must you divide the last divisor.

Scholar. If I shall divide 18, (which was the last divisor) by 6, that was the remainder, so is the Quotient 3, and nothing resteth.

Master. As for the Quotient, I omit him yet:

but because there doth remain nothing, therefore is 6 (which was your last divisor) that number by which you may reduce the fraction propounded.

Scholar. When as you taught me, I must divide the Numerator 18 by 6, and the quotient is 3, which I must put for the numerator over a line thus: And then by the said 6 must I divide also the denominator 96, and the Quotient will be 16, which I must take for the denominator, and so is the fraction  $\frac{3}{16}$ . And so methinketh this rule doth prove the work of the first Reduction.

Master. That is true, if the first Reduction were made of fractions into their least terms, and els not, without some help, as the second number in that place will declare.

Scholar. The second number was  $\frac{2}{3}$ , which was turned into  $\frac{1}{3}$  by that Rule. Now if I shall by this Rule reduce it againe into the least terms, I must divide 96 by 64, and there remaineth 32, wherefore I must take that 32, for the divisor, to reduce the said fractions. When do you divide 64 by 32, and the Quotient is 2, which I set for my numerator. Again, I divide 96 by 32, and the Quotient will be 3, and so I have but  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

Master. Wile not at the matter for you have done well enough: but you think you have not the fraction that you looked for, that is,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , yet have you one equall to it; as by the parts of a shilling you may prove.

Scholar. Truth it is, for each of them will bring forth 8 pence, so that  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and  $\frac{2}{6}$  and  $\frac{4}{12}$  be all three equall. And now I perceiue that because  $\frac{1}{3}$



was not written in the least termes that it might be, therefore this Reduction brought forth not it, but that other which is written in the least termes. Now understand I this Rule well. But is there and other way to worke this Reduction?

Another way to work this Reduction

Master. Yes: but first note this, that if you finde no such Divisor, to reduce the fraction till you come to 1, because one doth make no division, therefore that fraction is already in his least termes, as by  $\frac{7}{11}$  you may prove, and so  $\frac{82}{98}$ , and many other like.

Note that to mediate any number is to divide by two.

But now for your better aid to find the due proportion in lesse termes, with more ease for a young learner, you shall mediate or take the halfe of the Numerator, and also of the Denominator as long as you may upon a line, alwayes parting them with a right down dash of your pen as you work, which may easily be done, if the numbers be even, as 2. 4. 6. 8. or 10, but if they be odd (though it be but one of them) then must you abbreviate them by 3. 5. 7. or 9. &c.

And because examples doe most instruct, I have here set downe the manner of two or three, whose last number at the end of the line sheweth the least terme of valuation of that Fraction.

As for example: I woule reduce  $\frac{288}{576}$  into his least terme or value, whereupon I set forth  $\frac{288}{576}$  with a long line drawn from it, thus,

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} 288 & | & 144 & | & 72 & | & 36 & | & 18 & | & 9 & | & 3 & | & 1 \\ \hline 576 & | & 288 & | & 144 & | & 72 & | & 36 & | & 18 & | & 6 & | & 2 \end{array}$$

And because both the Numerator and the Denominator end in even numbers, I see this may be abbreviated by 2, or 4 or 6, &c. Therefore on



the other side of the right down dash toward the right hand, I first take the half of the Numerator, saying, the half of 2 is 1, the half of 8 is 4 : and again, the half of 8 is 4 : which 144 is now a new Numerator, and therefore I part it with a right down dash as before.

Then do I also take the half of 576, in saying, the half of 5 is 2, and the half of 17 is 8, and the half of 16 is 8, and so have I 288 for a new Denominator.

Then beginning again ; saying the half of 144 is 72, and the half of 288 is 144 : thus continuing the mediation of division by 2, untill you come to the last worke, as appeareth here in the example, where the same is reduced to  $\frac{1}{2}$  which is equall to

So the second example  $\frac{28}{112}$  first abbreviated by 2, & again by 2, and last by 7, is reduced to  $\frac{1}{4}$  which is equall to  $\frac{28}{112}$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 28 \mid 14 \mid 7 \mid 1 \\ \hline 112 \mid 56 \mid 28 \mid 4 \end{array}$$

Again,  $\frac{1465}{4395}$  abbreviated first by 5, then by 293.

$$\begin{array}{r|l|l} 1465 & 293 & 1 \\ \hline 4395 & 879 & 3 \end{array}$$

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you much, this is very easie and good for a young learner.

Master. So it is, but yet notwithstanding, if you can without that division by memory, espy the greatest number that may divide exactly both termes of your Fractions proposed, then need you not to use that division, as in this Fraction  $\frac{60}{96}$ .

I see that 12 is the greatest number that can divide them both: and therefore without any work, by memorie onely, I turn that into  $\frac{1}{6}$ ; but this ability in knowledge is got by exercise.

Yet one other way of easie Reduction in this kinde there is; when your fraction hath any cyphers in the first places of both termes, then may you by casting away the Cyphers, make a briefe Reduction as thus,  $\frac{120}{400}$ . Here take away the cyphers, and it will be  $\frac{12}{40}$ , which is the same in value with  $\frac{3}{10}$ .

Scholar. And so if I have  $\frac{220}{600}$ , it will be  $\frac{22}{60}$ .

Master. You are deceived, for you take away more cyphers from the Numerator then you do from the Denominator, which you may not do.

Scholar. I confesse my fault, which came of too much haste, I was gladder of the Rule then wise in using it: but now I understand it I trust.

Master. Then may I goe in hand with the fifth or last kinde of Reduction, which teacheth how to turn any fraction proposed into any other Denomination that you list, or into any part of common measures, weights, or measures, or such like.

The fifth kinde of Reduction  
 For declaration whereof, first you shall make whether your fraction be a simple fraction, either else a fraction of sundry parts, I mean of more terms then two. And if your fraction be a fraction of fractions, or otherwise compound, you must reduce it to one simple fraction: And then mark well the denomination of that other fraction, into which you would turn this: for by that denominator you must multiply the numerator of your first fraction, and the totall Product thereof shall you divide by the denominator of your first fraction, & that quotient shall be the numerator of the deno-

To reduce fractions to a denomination appointed.

denominator proposed : as for example, I have this fraction  $\frac{1}{3}$ , which I would turn into ten parts : therefore I multiply this 10 by 3, that is the numerator of my fraction, and there ariseth 30, which I divide by 3, and the quotient is 10, which must be the numerator to 10, and so  $\frac{1}{3}$  will be  $\frac{10}{30}$ .

Scholar. This is easie enough to do.

Master. When shall you see another example of the same fraction that is not so easie : as if I would turn  $\frac{1}{3}$  into 8 parts, prove you that work.

Scholar. I must multiply 8 by 3, and there amounteth 24, which I divide by 3, and the quotient is 8, then is the new fraction  $\frac{8}{24}$ .

Master. And see you nothing doubtfull in this work ?

Scholar. I see that when 24 was divided by 3, there remained 4, which I did not passe of, because ye spake nothing of any remainer, but onely of the quotient.

Master. By likelthod you remember what I said to you in Division of whole numbers, that you should not passe of the remainer there but onely note it as a somme that could not be divided without knowledge of Fractions. Wherefore now mark this, that in all divisions of whole numbers, when there is any remainer, you shall set it over a line as a Numerator, & set the divisor for the denominator, and that fraction doth make the Division compleat, & is part of the quotient : As if I would divide 48 by 5, the quotient will be 9  $\frac{3}{5}$  : so in your former work when 24 was divided by 5, the quotient should be 4  $\frac{4}{5}$ , & so the new fraction should be thus,  $4 \frac{4}{5}$  of  $\frac{1}{5}$ , that is,  $\frac{4}{5}$  of the entire number, &  $\frac{4}{5}$  of  $\frac{1}{5}$

part of any thing, which you may prove by example of some Coyne.

Scholar. When I take a Crowne, whole  $\frac{1}{2}$  is 3 s. Now I would prove whether the 3 s. be  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , I shall have a cumbersome work to do.

Master. Indeed for whole pence, your example is a little troublesome: yet turning the crown into halfe pence, it is easie enough.

Scholar. What will I try.

¶ First I see that  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Crowne is 3 Shillings which is 36 pence, or 72 halfe pence. Now if I can finde that this Fraction  $\frac{1}{2}$  &  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  be equal unto 3 shillings, then am I fully answered.

Because I cannot take  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a Crowne, I turn the Crown into halfe pence, as you told me, which makes 120, which I divide by 8, my Quotient is 15, which taken foure times, make 60 ob. Now resteth me to have  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  part of a Crown, whereof  $\frac{1}{8}$  part is 15 ob. the 15 being parted into 5 parts, the Quotient is 3, which taken foure times maketh 12 ob. which with my 60 before amounteth to 72, which are then equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ , my desire.

Master. I commend you for your diligence, you might have wrought it thus: either  $\frac{1}{2}$  being abbreviated as before I taught: is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Now halfe a Crown is 2 shillings 6 pence. Now  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  is a Fraction of Fractions, which if you doe reduce into one entire Fraction, as before you have learned in saying, 5 times 8 is 40, for a new Denominator, and once 4 is 4, for a new numerator: it maketh  $\frac{4}{40}$ , and abbreviated also make  $\frac{1}{10}$ . Now the tenth part of a Crown is 6 pence, which put to 2 shillings 6 pence, make also 3 shillings your desire.


But

But now one example more for this Rule, and then we shall end it. If I have  $\frac{7}{15}$  of a Sovereigne (accounting the Sovereigne 20 shillings) how many shillings is that  $\frac{7}{15}$ ?

Scholar. I must multiply 7 by 20 and that maketh 140, which I shall divide by 15, and the quotient will be  $9\frac{1}{3}$ , or in lesser termes  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

Master. That is 9 shillings, and one third part of a shilling, that is 4 pence, as by the same Rule you may prove. And this for this time shall suffice for Reduction. And now I will proceed to Addition.

## Addition.

 Hencever you have any Fractions to be added, you must consider whether they be of one denomination, or not, and if they be of one denomination, then add the Numerators together, and set that that amounteth for the numerator over the common denominator, and so have you done: The reason is, because that such differ little in Addition or Subtraction from the worke of vulgar denominations where the denominators be of the number, as 3 pence and 5 pence make 8 pence, where the denomination is not altered. But if the fractions be not of one denomination or any of them be mixt of whole numbers and fractions, then must you first reduce them to one denomination, and after add them. And if they be many, then add first two of them, and so the summe that doth amount of the Addition, and the third, and then the 4. &c. if you have so many.

Scholar.



Scholar. This seemeth easie enough, now that I have already learned to reduce, without which I could never have wrought this : And therefore now I see good reason why you did place Reduction before Addition.

Master. It is well considered, but yet refuse not to expresse your understanding of it by an example.

Scholar. Then would I adde first  $\frac{2}{11}$  with  $\frac{1}{11}$  and because the denominators are like (and so needeth no Reduction) I adde 7 to 5, which maketh 12, and then is my summe  $\frac{12}{11}$ , that is in smaller numbers, being abbreviated  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

To adde  
fractions  
of divers  
Denomi-  
nations.

And if you have many numbers to be added, as here  $\frac{1}{8}$ ,  $\frac{4}{10}$ , first I must reduce them (because they have others denominators) into one denomination, and then they will be thus,  $\frac{12}{40}$ ,  $\frac{16}{40}$ ,  $\frac{16}{40}$ , or in lesser termes,  $\frac{11}{40}$ ,  $\frac{12}{40}$ ,  $\frac{16}{40}$ , which by Addition do make  $\frac{39}{40}$ , that is  $2 \frac{3}{40}$ .

Master. Now may we go to Subtraction.

## Subtraction of Fractions.

Subtrac-  
tion of Fra-  
ctions.



Subtraction hath the same precepts that Addition had, for if the denominators be like, then must you subtract the one numerator from the other, and the rest is to be set over the common denominator, and so your subtraction is ended : but and if you have many fractions to be subtracted out of many, then must you reduce them to one denomination, and into two severall fractions, that is, all.



all that must be subtracted into one fraction, and the residue into another fraction, and then work as I said before.

Scholar. For the first example I take  $\frac{11}{12}$  to be subtracted out of  $\frac{12}{12}$ , and the rest will bee  $\frac{1}{12}$  or  $\frac{1}{12}$ .

For another example I take  $\frac{1}{4}$  to be subtracted out of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which I must reduce, and it will be thus  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Then doe I subtract 24 out of 28, and there resteth 4, which I set over the common denominator for a Remainder, thus  $\frac{4}{32}$ : that is  $\frac{1}{8}$ .

Now for the third example, I take  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{5}$  to be subtracted from  $\frac{7}{8}$  and  $\frac{2}{10}$ : and because their denominators be others, I doe reduce them into one denomination thus  $\frac{11}{24}$  and  $\frac{12}{30}$  and  $\frac{14}{20}$ .

Then do I adde the two first, and they make  $\frac{14}{120}$ . Also I adde the two last, and they yeeld  $\frac{14}{120}$ . Then do I subtract 3040 out of 3468, and there resteth 368, so is the remainder,  $\frac{368}{1920}$ , that is in smaller termes  $\frac{23}{120}$ . And thus have I done with Subtraction, except you have any more to teach me.

Master. Prove one example or more out of Fractions of others Denominations.

Scholar. I take the two Fractions  $\frac{7}{8}$  to be subtracted from  $\frac{2}{24}$  which being reduced, 168 72 will stand thus  $\frac{168}{192}$  and  $\frac{72}{192}$ : Now would I subtract 168 out of 72, but 192 I cannot.

Master. When may you perceiue that you mistook the Fractions: for you can never subtract the greater out of the lesser, although you may adde, multiply or divide the greater with the lesser.  
And

The greater- And albeit that, hath both his terms lesser then  $\frac{2}{3}$ ,  
 rest of two yet is  $\frac{2}{3}$  the lesser Fraction: for generally if you  
 fractions. multiply the Numerator and the Denominators of  
 two Fractions crossewayes, that fraction is the  
 greatest of whose Numerator cometh the greatest  
 summe, as in this example, 7 multiplied by 24  
 maketh 168, and 9 being multiplied by 8 yeeldeth  
 but 72, therefore is the first fraction 7 the greatest  
 of these two, so can you not subtract it out of a  
 lesser fraction.

But if you should subtract a Fraction out of a  
 whole number, what should you doe?

Scholar. Marry I would reduce the whole num-  
 ber into a Fraction of the same Denomination that  
 my Fraction is, and then worke by Subtraction.

Master. So may you doe, but it is much easier,  
 if your Fraction be a proper Fraction, that is to  
 say, lesse then an unite, to take an unite from the  
 whole number, and then turn it into an improper  
 Fraction, and so worke your Subtraction. As if  
 I would subtract  $3\frac{2}{3}$  from 4, I may take 1 from  
 4, and turn it into  $\frac{4}{3}$ , from which I abate  $3\frac{2}{3}$ , there  
 will remain  $\frac{1}{3}$ . And if the first be an improper Fra-  
 ction, then may I take so many unites from the  
 whole number, that they may make an improper  
 Fraction, greater then that first, and then worke  
 by Subtraction. As if there bee proposed  $\frac{12}{3}$ , to bee  
 subtracted from 6, because  $\frac{12}{3}$  is more then 3, & not so  
 much as 4, I must take 4 from 6, and turn them  
 into thirds thus,  $\frac{12}{3}$  then abate  $\frac{12}{3}$  from  $\frac{12}{3}$ , there  
 resteth  $\frac{2}{3}$ : so the whole remainder is  $2\frac{2}{3}$ . Or else  
 you may at your pleasure take  $3\frac{1}{3}$ , which is  $\frac{10}{3}$ :  
 from 6 whole: then set 1 under 6, as thus  $\frac{6}{1}$ : And  
 then

then to reduce those two Fractions into one Denomination, as here appeareth  $\frac{12}{3}$  from  $\frac{4}{1}$ : Then  $\frac{12}{3}$  from  $\frac{12}{3}$  resteth  $\frac{8}{3}$ , which maketh  $2\frac{2}{3}$  your desire. And thus will I make an end of the work of Subtraction of Fractions, and proceed to Multiplication.

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ \frac{12}{3} \times \frac{12}{3} \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

## Multiplication of Fractions.



Herefore when any two fractions be proposed to be multiplied together, the numerator of the one must be multiplied by the numerator of the other: and the summe that amounteth thereof must

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be set for a new numerator: likewise the Denominator of the one must be multiplied by the Denominator of the other, and that that amounteth shall be set for the Denominator, and this new third fraction expresseth the Product of the Multiplication of the two first Fractions proposed, whereof  
take this Example,  $\frac{3}{5}$  multiplied by  $\frac{2}{3}$   
 $\frac{3}{5}$  doth make  $\frac{12}{15}$ .

Scholar. I perceivethen that 3 being the Numerator of the first Fraction is multiplied by 5 being the Numerator of the second Fraction, whereof amounteth 15, the Numerator of the third Fraction. And so likewise 5 being the Denominator of the first Fraction, is multiplied by 12 the Denomination of the second Fraction, whereof amounteth 60 the new denominator, so that

that I perceiue how the work is done, I do not perceiue how  $\frac{11}{60}$  is greater then  $\frac{1}{3}$ , for if I shall use my former manner of examination by the parts of some coine, I see that  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a Crowne is 36 pence, and  $\frac{1}{12}$  of a Crowne is 25 pence, whereof the one multiplied by the other, doth make 900 pence, which is 15 Crownes, but by your multiplication there amounteth  $\frac{11}{60}$ , which is but 15 pence, and that is much lesse then any other of both the first Fractions.



Master. That difference is between multiplication in whole numbers, and Multiplication in broken numbers, that in whole numbers, the summe that amounteth is greater then both the other whereof it came: but in fractions it is contrariwise: for the summe that amounteth is lesser then any of the other two fractions whereof it is produced.

S. I desire much to understand the reason thereof.

Master. Although I purposed to reserve the reasons of works Arithmetick for the perfect Book of Arithmetick, yet I will shew you this, because of the strangenesse of the work.

You see in whole numbers, that of two numbers, being multiplied together, is made the third number, which third number doth beare the same proportion to the number multiplied, that the multiplier doth beare to an unite. And so in Fractions the third number which amounteth of Multiplication, beareth the same proportion to each of the two first Fractions, that the other of these two fractions doth beare to an unite.

Scholar. Sir, I understand your words thus: when 40 is multiplied by 12, there doth amount

480, which 480 doth contain 40 so many times in it, as 12 doth contain Unites, that is to say, twelve times. And so it appeareth that 480 doth contain twelve so many times also as 40 doth contain unites, that is 40 times. But now I see not how the third number in this example of Fractions can contain any of the two former (as it happened in whole numbers) seeing it is lesser then either of them.



Master. No marvel if you cannot see that thing which is not possible to be seen of any man, how the third number in Multiplication of Fractions should be greater then any of the two former fractions: but yet this may you see (which I said) that the third number in fractions so multiplied doth bear the same proportion to any of the two former fractions that the other of those two fractions doth bear to an unite, as in your example,  $\frac{3}{4}$  being multiplied by  $\frac{1}{12}$  doth make  $\frac{1}{16}$ . Now I say that  $\frac{1}{16}$  doth bear the same proportion to  $\frac{3}{4}$  that  $\frac{1}{12}$  doth bear to a unite, as you may in your own forme of examination by Coine, try it: for in an old angell (which in times past was, current for 7 shilling 6 pence) are 180 halfe pence which I set for the intire unite, whose parts (according to the fractions aforesaid) are these, for  $\frac{1}{16}$  set 45 halfe pence, for  $\frac{3}{4}$  take 108 halfe pence, and for  $\frac{1}{12}$  put 75 halfe pence. Now doth 45 bear the same proportion to 108, that 75 doth bear to 180, for 45 is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 108, and so is 75 also  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 180.

But these reasons may be better reserved till another time, when the knowledge of proportions in due order shall be taught: yet in the mean season

I will shew you how it commeth to passe, that in Fractions the third summe must needs be lesse then any of the other two.

Consider this, that when a Fraction is proposed, as in the former example  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; if it be multiplied by more then 1, it will make more then one entire number. As if I multiply  $\frac{1}{2}$  by 5, that is to say, if I take it 5 times, it will make three entire unites. Example: in a Crowne  $\frac{1}{2}$  of it maketh 3 shillings, which if I take five times, it will amount to 15 shillings that is, three entire Crownes; so if I take the same  $\frac{1}{2}$  but twice, it will yeeld 6 shillings, that is, one entire Crowne, and  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Now if I take it but once, it cannot be more then it was before, that is 5 shillings. And if I take it lesse then once, it cannot be so much as it was before. Then seeing that a Fraction is lesse then one, if I multiply a Fraction by another Fraction, it followeth that I doe take the first Fraction lesse then once, and therefore the summe that amounteth, must needs be lesse then the first Fraction.

Scholar. Sir, I thank you much for this reason. And I trust I doe perceiue the thing, as by example of this same Fraction  $\frac{1}{2}$  I will expresse. If I take  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Crowne once, that is to say, if I multiply  $\frac{1}{2}$  by 1, it will be as it was before, but 3 shillings: so if I doe multiply it by  $\frac{1}{2}$ , that is, if I take but halfe one time, then will it be but halfe so much: likewise if I multiply it by  $\frac{1}{3}$  that is, if I take but the third part of one, it will yeeld but 12 pence, that is, the third part of the first Fraction.

And



And so to make an end: if I take but the twelfth part of one, that is, if I doe multiply it by  $\frac{1}{12}$  it will yeeld but the twelfth part of the first Fraction, which is but 3 pence. And it followeth, that if  $\frac{1}{12}$  make 3 pence, then  $\frac{1}{12}$  must needs make five times so much, that is, 15 pence, which was the summe that hath given the occasion of all this doubt.

Master. When I perceiue you have sufficient understanding in this sort of Multiplication for this time, wherefoze I will proceed to the rest.

In Multiplication it happeneth somerime, that there be whole numbers to be multiplied with Fractions; and may be in two sorts: for either the whole number is severall from the fraction, & is the multiplier, or else the whole number is joyned with one, or both of the fractions, and so maketh a mixt number thereof. If it bee in the first sort, then needeth there no Reduction, but only multiply the numerator of the fraction by that whole number, and the totall thereof set for the new numerator.

To multiply a whole number into a fraction.

Scholar. I understand you thus. If I have  $\frac{4}{23}$  to be multiplied by 16 then must I multiply that 16 with 4, which is the Numerator, whereof cometh 96, and that must I set for the new Numerator: keeping still 23 for the Denominator, and so the Fraction will be  $\frac{96}{23}$  that is  $4\frac{4}{23}$ .

Ma<sup>st</sup>. And in this sort of work you may abridge the labour thus. If it happen the denominator to be such a number as may evenly be divided by the said whole number proposed, then divide it thereby, and set the Quotient of that division for the former denominator, but reserve still the numerator, and so is the multiplication ended.

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Scholar.

Scholar. Then saith this example  $\frac{7}{5}$  to be multiplied by 5, and because 5 will justly divide 20, therefore I take the Quotient of that division, which is 4, and set it in stead of 20, and so the Fraction will be  $\frac{7}{4}$  that is  $1\frac{3}{4}$ .

Master. Which is all one with  $\frac{35}{20}$  that would have followed of the other sort of work.

Scholar. I perceive it very well.

How to  
multiply  
mixt num-  
bers.

Master. Now then for the other sort, where the number is mixt, take this way: first to reduce the said whole number and Fraction into one improper Fraction (as I shewed you in Reduction) and then multiply them together, as if they were proper Fractions.

Scholar.  $13\frac{3}{5}$  being set to be multiplied by  $\frac{1}{5}$  first I must reduce the mixt number, as  $13\frac{3}{5}$   $\frac{340}{5}$   
in this example appeareth, by  $\frac{68}{5}$  by  
multiplying 13 by 5, and that  $\frac{5}{5}$   
maketh 65, whereunto I must adde  $5\frac{40}{5}$   $\frac{8}{5}$   
the numerator 3, and so the Fraction will be  $\frac{42}{5}$   
which two Fractions now I shall multiply after  
the accustomed forme, and it will be  $\frac{140}{25}$  or  $5\frac{4}{5}$ .

Master. You have done well: and so may you see, that although most part of the formes of multiplication may be wrought without Reduction, yet some cannot, as namely, mixed numbers.

duplation.

And yet one note more I will tell you of Multiplication before we leave it: That is, whensoever you would multiply any Fraction by 2, which commonly is called duplation, you may doe it not only by doubling the numerator, but also by parting the denominator into half, if it be even.

Scholar. Then if I would double  $\frac{1}{2}$  I may  
chuse

chuse whether I will make it  $\frac{10}{12}$  or else  $\frac{1}{2}$ . And indeed I see that is all one, but the dividing of the Denominator seemeth the better way to make smaller termes of the Fraction, and so they shall need the lesse Reduction.

Master. It is so: and now I shall not need to tell you that Multiplication is proved by Division, and Division likewise by multiplication: but the like work that I shewed you in multiplication, will I shew you in division.

## Division of Fractions.



Wherever two fractions bee proposed, that one should be divided by the other, I must set down first the fraction that shall be divided (which is called the dividend) and then after it the other which is the divisor: Then shall

Division of Fractions.

I multiply the numerator of the dividend by the denominator of the divisor, and that which amounteth I must put for a new numerator. Again I shall multiply the denominator of the dividend by the numerator of the divisor, and the number that amounteth thereof I must put for the new denominator. And this third fraction is the Quotient of the said division.

Scholar. This seemeth easie in forme, as by example thus: If I would divide  $\frac{3}{5}$  by  $\frac{2}{6}$ , first I multiply 5, (being the numerator of the dividend) by 6, which is the denominator of the divisor,

and thereof riseth 30: then I multiply 8 (being the denominator of the dividend) by 2 being the numerator in the divisor: and so riseth 16, the which I must make a third Fraction thus  $\frac{16}{30}$ .

Master. It seemeth you are quicker in understanding now, then you were when I taught you the Art of whole numbers, but that is no marvell: for the more knowledge that a man getteth the readier shall he finde his witt, and be quicker in understanding: but yet of two things I will admonish you, which you might have observed here for the ease of worke and lightnesse of understanding the nature of the Quotient.

Whensoever you divide one Fraction by another, either they be both equall together, or else the one is greater then the other: if they be equall, their Quotient shall be such, that the Numerator and the Denominator of it shall be equall also, And if the two first Fractions be unequal their Quotient shall declare the same by the inequality of the Numerator and Denominator, as in these examples following shall appear.

First, if equall Fractions  $\frac{4}{9}$  and  $\frac{12}{27}$  be equall together, and if the one be divided by the other, the Quotient will be  $\frac{4 \cdot 27}{9 \cdot 12}$ , as you may perceive by that Rule aforesaid,

Now in the unequal Fractions, as  $\frac{4}{9}$  and  $\frac{7}{10}$  the Quotient will be  $\frac{40}{63}$ , where the Numerator is greater then the Denominator.

Scholar. I see it is so: but I see not the reason why it should be so.

Master.

Note how  
to know  
the pro-  
portion  
between to  
numbers.

Master. The reason is this; when any Fraction on is divided by another, the Quotient declareth what proportion the Dividend beareth to the Divisor. So  $\frac{1}{2}$  divided by  $\frac{1}{4}$ , maketh 2, which must be sounded, not 2, but twice, declaring that  $\frac{1}{4}$  is contained twice in  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

And note this, that the Numerator in the Quotient representeth the Dividend, and the Denominator representeth the Divisor. And this is alwayes true, whether the greater Fraction be divided by the lesser, or the lesser by the greater. But this proportion will not be exactly known, till you have learned the Art of proportions: notwithstanding somewhat of it I have declared in the Rule of Reduction. But now for the easie remembrance of the Quotient in Division, as soone as you have set downe your two Fractions the one against the other, then make a straight-line for the Quotient: and as soone as you have multiplied the Numerator of the Dividend, by the Denominator of the Divisor, set the Number that amounteth over the said line, and then multiply the other two Numbers, and set their totall under the same line.

Scholar. I perceiue you would not have me trust to memory till I were better expert, lest oftentimes I happen by misse-remembrance to be abused. This Example I take for that declaration.

If I would diuide  $\frac{2}{3}$  by  $\frac{3}{4}$  I must set the numbers one against the other (as here doth appear) and then make another line for the Quotient in some good

So 3

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \qquad \qquad \qquad 3 \\ \hline 3 \qquad \qquad \qquad 4 \end{array} \text{ by } \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

distance



distance, where I may set the numbers of the Quotient, as soon as any of them is multiplied. So then as soon as I have multiplied 2 by 4 which maketh 8, I shall set that 8 over that line, thus:  $\frac{8}{1}$   
 And then multiply 3 by 3, which yeeldeth 9: and that 9 must be set under the same line, and then will the whole Quotient appeare thus  $\frac{8}{9}$ : whereby it appeareth (as I remember your words) that  $\frac{2}{3}$  is in proportion to  $\frac{4}{9}$  as 8 is to 9, but how may I perceiue that?

Master. Although you might better perceiue it by the Rule of Reduction, yet this example may be declared in common coines, as in a common shilling of 12 pence, of which  $\frac{2}{3}$  maketh 8 pence, and  $\frac{4}{9}$  doth make 9 pence, an so you may easily see that their proportions doe agree. And if you had taken this example before when you took the example of  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$ , your Quotient would appeare (as this doth) more easie to understand; whereas that Quotient being  $\frac{30}{16}$ , is not an easie proportion for you to perceiue, being yet little acquainted with proportions.

Scholar. If there be whole Numbers to be diuided by a Fraction, how shall I performe it?

Master. When any whole number shall be diuided by a fraction, you must multiply the said whole number with the Denominator of the Fraction, and set the totall thereof for the new Numerator, and for the Denominator set the Numerator of the fraction.  $\frac{80}{3}$

Scholar. When 20 diuided by  $\frac{3}{4}$  will  $\frac{20}{1}$  by  $\frac{3}{4}$  make  $\frac{80}{3}$ , as here appeareth  $\frac{20}{3}$ .

Master. Even so: but if you would diuide the Fraction by the whole number, then multiply the Denominator by the same whole number, and set the totall for



for the Denominator, without changing the Numerator.

Scholar. When to divide  $\frac{20}{23}$  by 4, it will be  $\frac{20}{92}$ , as here appeareth  $\frac{20}{23}$  by 4, in this Example  $\frac{20}{92}$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 20 \text{ by } 4 \\ \hline 23 \quad 1 \\ 92 \end{array}$$

Master. You say well. And by the same Example you give me cause to remember another brief way to doe the same: for if you had divided the said Numerator by 4, and set the Quotient for the Numerator, keeping still the old Denominator, it would have been not only as well done, but also in a Fraction of lesser terms. Another brief way.

Scholar. I guesse it to be even so, by a like work that you taught me in multiplication: And for proof thereof  $\frac{20}{23}$  being the Dividend, and 4 the Divisor, I divide the Numerator 20 by 4, and the Quotient is 5, which I set for 20 over 23, thus  $\frac{5}{23}$ : And I see that it is all one with  $\frac{20}{92}$ , as by dividing or abbreviating both these termes by 4, and so reducing them to their least Denomination, I may easily prove: as appeareth by this example  $\frac{20}{23} = \frac{5}{23}$ .

Master. You conceive it well. And if there be mixt numbers, (either one or both) you must first reduce that mixt number into an improper Fraction, and then work as you have learned.

Scholar. That was sufficiently taught in Multiplication. Therefore I pray you go forward to some other thing.

Master. Then take this note yet for Division: if the denominator be like, then divide the numerators, as it were in whole numbers, and the Quotient, whether it be Fraction, whole number or mixt, is a

good Quotient for that Division. And generally, if one of the numerators may justly divide the other by that Quotient, multiply the Denominator of the lesser numerator, and set it that doth amount in the room of the same denominator, and then for a numerator to it, set the denominator of the other Fraction.

Scholar. Then if I would divide  $\frac{3}{4}$  by  $\frac{12}{17}$  I see that 3 will divide 12, and the Quotient will be 4, by which I must multiply the other 4, that is the denominator under 3, and then it is 16, which is set for the denominator 4, and over it in stead of 3 I must set 17 the other denominator, and so it is thus  $\frac{17}{16}$ .

Master. And so is  $\frac{3}{4}$  in stead of  $\frac{3}{48}$ , which would have been by the common worke, as here appeareth.

$$\begin{array}{r} 51 \\ 3 \quad 12 \\ \hline 4 \quad \text{by} \quad 17 \\ 48 \end{array}$$

And now for Mediation (which is to divide by 2) make this, if the Numerator be an even number, set the half of it in his place without the divisor, and so have you done: and if the numerator be not even, then double the denominator.

Scholar. That is, if I would mediate  $\frac{16}{11}$  I may make the Quotient  $\frac{8}{11}$ , and if I would mediate  $\frac{7}{11}$ , I must make it  $\frac{7}{22}$ .

Master. And thus will I make an end of the works of common fractions for this time, not doubting but you can apply them both to the Rule of progression, and also to the Golden Rule, without any other teaching then you have learned before, which might seem tedious to repeat, in regard you have sufficient knowledge in Reduction,

Addition,

Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division:  
And therefore will I goe in hand with the Rule of  
Proportion, or Golden Rule, which now will appear  
easie enough.

The Golden Rule direct in Fractions.

Master.



Herefore as touching the Golden Rule for  
the placing of the three numbers proposed  
in the question whereby to finde the fourth  
and for the form of their worke, with other  
like notes, I referre you to that which  
you have already learned.

The rule  
of propor-  
tion in  
Fractions.

But this easie form of working by fractions shall  
you note, that if your three numbers be fractions,  
for an apt worke and certaine, multiply the nume-  
rator of the first number in the question, by the deno-  
minator of the second : And all that againe multiply  
by the denominator of the third number, and the to-  
tall thereof shall you keep for to be the divisor.  
Then multiply the Denominator of the first num-  
ber by the numerator of the second, and the whole  
thereof by the numerator of the third, & the totall  
thereof shall be your dividend.

Note this  
for a gene-  
rall Rule.

Now divide this dividend by the divisor which  
you found out before, and that number shall be the  
fourth number of the question which you seek for, as  
in this example.

If  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a yard of Velvet cost  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a soveragin, es-  
teemed at 20 shillings, what shall  $\frac{1}{2}$  cost ?

A question  
of velvet.

Scholar. If it please you to let me make the an-  
swer, I would first place these three num-  
bers as I learned in whole numbers, thus:

$\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{2}{3}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   
**Z**

And

And then according to your new rule, I must multiply 3, being numerator in the first number, by 3, the denominator of the second: & thereto cometh 9, which I multiply again by 6, the denominator of the third number, and so have I 54, which I keep for the divisor. Then multiply I 4 the denominator of the first, by 2 then numerator of the second, and there ariseth 8, which againe I multiply by 5 the numerator of the third, and it maketh 40. Then must I divide 40 by 54, and it will be  $\frac{40}{54}$  that is  $\frac{20}{27}$  in lesser termes, and then the figure will stand thus:

But what that is in money I cannot tell, except I shall worke it by Reduction, as you taught me.

Master. It forceth not now, you may reduce it when you list, but it were disorderly done here to mingle others workes together, where we do not seek the value of the thing in common money, but in apt number, which ye have well done: and therefore will I yet shew you another like way of easynesse in worke, how you may change your three Fractions into three whole numbers, by which you shall worke, as if the question were proposed in whole numbers. The first number you shall finde as I taught you: now to finde the divisor of the second number, take the numerator for the second fraction: and for the third number, take that that ariseth of the multiplication of the denominator of the first, by the numerator of the third, and then worke your question.

A question  
of Silver.

Scholar. For example hereof, I put this question, If  $\frac{11}{12}$  of 1 pound weight of silver, be worth  $\frac{12}{4}$  of a Sovereigne, what is,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 pound weight worth?

For

For the answer, first I place the  
Fractions in order thus :

$$\frac{\frac{11}{12}}{\frac{1}{2}} \text{Z} \frac{12}{4}$$

Then to turne these Fractions into whole num-  
bers, I multiply 11, which is the numerator of the  
first by 4 (the denominator of the second) and there  
cometh 44, which I multiply by 2 the denomina-  
tor of the third, and so amounteth 88, which I set  
for the Divisor in the first place. Then in the se-  
cond place I set 12, which is the numerator of the  
second fraction, and in the third place I set the  
summe that amounteth of 12, being the denomina-  
tor of the first number, multiplied by one, being  
numerator in the third number, and so 88  $\text{Z}$   $\frac{12}{12}$   
the figure will stand as here you see.

Then to work it forth, I multiply 12 by 12,  
and there amounteth 144, which I divide by 88,  
and the quotient will be 1  $\frac{16}{11}$ , or in lesser termes,  
1  $\frac{7}{11}$ , and then the figures will stand thus :

$$\frac{\frac{11}{12}}{\frac{1}{3}} \text{Z} \frac{12}{4} \frac{7}{11}$$

Master. These two formes now you understand  
well enough, and as for any other at this time I  
will not repeat, onely this shall you mark for the  
proof of this Rule, whether your work be well  
wrought or no. Multiply the first number by the  
fourth, and note what amounteth; then multiply  
the second by the third, and mark what amounteth  
also. Now if these two numbers so amounting be  
equal, then is your work well done, else you have  
erred. And this shall suffice for the former Rule.

The proof  
of the gol-  
den rule.



# The Backer Rule, or Reverse Rule in Fractions.

The back-  
er Rule in  
Fractions.



Note this  
also for a  
generall  
Rule.

A quest on  
of Loan.

U<sup>t</sup> in the Backer Rule, this shall you note for your ease of worke, that you multiply the Numerator of the first by the Numerator of the second, and the whole thereof by the Denominator of the third, and that amounteth thereof, shall be the dividend. Then multiply the Denominator of the first, by the Denominator of the second, and that whole by the Numerator of the third, and that that ariseth thereof, shall be the Divisor. Example of this.

*I did lend my friend  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a Porteguisse, seven Moneths upon promise that he should do as much for me againe; and when I should borrow of him he could lend me but  $\frac{1}{12}$  of a Porteguisse: now I demand how long time I must keep his money in just recompence of my loane, accounting 13 Moneths in the year?*

Scholar. The first number must be the first money borrowed, that is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the Porteguisse: the second number the 7 moneths, that is  $\frac{7}{13}$  of a year: and the third number the money that was lent in recompence, that is  $\frac{1}{12}$  of a Porteguisse:  $\frac{1}{4} \frac{7}{13}$  then I set the numbers thus:

Then (as you taught me) I multiply 3 (being Numerator in the first number) by 7, the Numerator of the second number, and it maketh 21, which I multiply by 12 the Denominator of the third, and so have I 252 for the dividend: then I multiply 4, the Denominator of the first, by 13 the Denomina-

tor



tor of the 2<sup>d</sup>, & it yeeldeth 52, which I multiply again by 5 the Numerator of the third, & it will make 260, that is the divisor. Then must I divide 252 by 260 so it will be in the small Fraction  $\frac{63}{65}$  of a year.

Master. And thus do you see some ease in working, better then to multiply and divide tediously so many Fractions.

Another question yet I will propose, to the intent you may see thereby the reason of the Statute of Assise of Bread and Ale, which in all statute Booke, in Latine, French and English, is much corrupted for want of knowledge in this Art; for the right understanding whereof I propose this question.

Statute of  
Assise of  
bread and  
ale.

When the price of a quarter of wheat is 2 shillings, the farthing white loafe shall weigh 48 shillings; then I demand what shall such a loafe weigh, when a quarter of wheat is sold for 3 shillings.

Question  
of bread.

Scholar. This question must be wrought as it is proposed in whole numbers: and not in Fractions.

Master. You seem to say reasonably, howbeit in the Statute of Assise, the rate is made by the proportion of parts in a pound weight Troy else could it not be a Statute of any long continuance, seeing the shillings doe change often as all other moneys doe: but this Statute being well understood, is a continuall Rule for ever, as I will anon declare by a new Table of Assise, converting the shillings into ounces, and parts of ounces.

Wherefore here by a shilling you must understand  $\frac{1}{20}$  of a pound weight, and so by a penny  $\frac{1}{20}$  of an ounce: wherefore although you might worke this question proposed by whole numbers well enough, for that time when the Statute was made,

yet

yet to apply it to your time, and make it serve for all times generally, it is best to worke it by fractions, setting for 2 shillings  $\frac{2}{10}$ , and for 68 shillings  $\frac{68}{10}$  and so for three shillings  $\frac{3}{10}$ , and then  $\frac{2}{20}$   $\frac{68}{20}$   $\frac{3}{20}$  will the figure of the question stand thus.  $\frac{2}{20}$   $\frac{68}{20}$   $\frac{3}{20}$

In which question, because all the Denominators be like, you shall work onely with the Numerators.

Scholar. Then shall I multiply 68 by 2, whereof cometh 136, which if I divide by 3, the quotient will be  $45\frac{1}{3}$ : but how shall I make a fraction of that, to stand with the other?

Master. Have you so soon forgotten what was taught you so lately, this to his forme.

Scholar. I remember it now, and then it signifieth 45 twenty parts, and the third deale of one twenty part.

Note what  
a shilling  
is.

Master. So is it that maketh in shillings 45 shillings 4 pence, whereby you may note one great error in the Statute Books; which have constantly 48 shillings in that Assise. And by this Rule, if you examine the Statute, you shall finde many summes false. Wherefore for the true understanding of that Statute, and such like, as I have made mention of it, and somewhat recognized it, so doe I with that all Gentlemen and other students of the Lawes would not neglect this Art of Arithmetick, as unneedfull to their studies. Wherefore to encourage them thereto, and to gratifie both them & all other in generall I will exhibite a Table of that part of the Statutes in two Columnes and in a third Colunne, I will adde the correction of those errors which have crept into it.

Here followeth the Table,

The price of  
a quarter of  
Wheat.

The weight of a far-  
thing white loafe by  
the Statute Bookes.

The Correction by  
just Afile.

| S. | D. | l. | S. | D.              | l. | S. | D.               |
|----|----|----|----|-----------------|----|----|------------------|
| 1  | 0  | 6  | 16 | 0               | 6  | 16 | 0                |
| 1  | 6  | 4  | 10 | 8               | 4  | 10 | 8                |
| 2  | 0  | 2  | 8  | 0               | 3  | 8  | 0                |
| 2  | 6  | 2  | 14 | $4\frac{1}{2}$  | 2  | 14 | $4\frac{4}{5}$   |
| 3  | 0  | 2  | 8  | 0               | 2  | 5  | 4                |
| 3  | 6  | 2  | 2  | 0               | 1  | 18 | $10\frac{2}{7}$  |
| 4  | 0  | 1  | 16 | 0               | 1  | 14 | 0                |
| 4  | 6  | 1  | 10 | 0               | 1  | 10 | $2\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 5  | 0  | 1  | 8  | $2\frac{1}{2}$  | 1  | 7  | $2\frac{2}{5}$   |
| 5  | 6  | 1  | 4  | $8\frac{1}{4}$  | 1  | 4  | $8\frac{1}{11}$  |
| 6  | 0  | 1  | 2  | 8               | 1  | 2  | 8                |
| 6  | 6  | 0  | 16 | 11              | 1  | 0  | $11\frac{1}{13}$ |
| 7  | 0  | 0  | 19 | 1               | 0  | 19 | $5\frac{1}{7}$   |
| 7  | 6  | 0  | 18 | $1\frac{1}{2}$  | 0  | 18 | $1\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 8  | 0  | 0  | 7  | 0               | 0  | 17 | 0                |
| 8  | 6  | 0  | 16 | 0               | 0  | 16 | 0                |
| 9  | 0  | 0  | 15 | $0\frac{1}{4}$  | 0  | 15 | $1\frac{1}{5}$   |
| 9  | 6  | 0  | 14 | $0\frac{1}{4}$  | 0  | 14 | $3\frac{13}{19}$ |
| 10 | 0  | 0  | 13 | $7\frac{1}{2}$  | 0  | 13 | $7\frac{2}{5}$   |
| 10 | 6  | 0  | 12 | $11\frac{1}{2}$ | 0  | 12 | $11\frac{1}{7}$  |
| 11 | 0  | 0  | 12 | $4\frac{1}{4}$  | 0  | 12 | $4\frac{4}{11}$  |
| 11 | 6  | 0  | 11 | 10              | 0  | 11 | $9\frac{21}{23}$ |
| 12 | 0  | 0  | 11 | 4               | 0  | 11 | 4                |

In the common Bookes there is no further rate of Assise made, then unto 12 s. the quarter of wheat, but in an ancient copy of 200 years old (which I have) there is added the rate of Assise unto 20 s. the quarter, but yet was that Assise also either wrong cast at the first penning, or else corrupt since that time, for lack of just knowledge in the Rule of Proportion, which I will add here also to gratifie such as be desirous to understand truth exactly.

| The price of<br>a quarter of<br>wheat. |    | The weight of a far-<br>thing white loafe by<br>the Statute Bookes. |    |                               | The Correction<br>by just Assise. |    |                                  |
|----------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|
| s.                                     | d. | l.                                                                  | s. | d.                            | l.                                | s. | d.                               |
| 12                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 11 | 0                             | 0                                 | 10 | 10 <sup>14</sup> / <sub>11</sub> |
| 13                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 11 | 0 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>7</sub> | 0                                 | 10 | 5 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>13</sub>   |
| 13                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 10 | 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 0                                 | 10 | 0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>13</sub>   |
| 14                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 9  | 7                             | 0                                 | 9  | 8 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>7</sub>    |
| 14                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 9  | 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub> | 0                                 | 9  | 4 <sup>16</sup> / <sub>19</sub>  |
| 15                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 9  | 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 0                                 | 9  | 0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>    |
| 15                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 9  | 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> | 0                                 | 8  | 9 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>31</sub>   |
| 16                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 9  | 0                             | 0                                 | 8  | 6                                |
| 16                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 8  | 6                             | 0                                 | 8  | 2 <sup>14</sup> / <sub>11</sub>  |
| 17                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 8  | 3                             | 0                                 | 8  | 0                                |
| 17                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 7  | 10                            | 0                                 | 7  | 9 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>31</sub>   |
| 18                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 7  | 6                             | 0                                 | 7  | 6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>3</sub>    |
| 18                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 7  | 3                             | 0                                 | 7  | 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>17</sub>   |
| 19                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 7  | 2                             | 0                                 | 7  | 1 <sup>12</sup> / <sub>19</sub>  |
| 19                                     | 6  | 0                                                                   | 5  | 10                            | 0                                 | 6  | 11 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>13</sub>  |
| 20                                     | 0  | 0                                                                   | 5  | 6                             | 0                                 | 6  | 9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>    |

These

These two Tables I have set severall; because no man should think that I would either add or take away from any Law those parts which might of right seem either superfluous, either diminute: but yet I may not be so curious as to neglect manifest errors, which is not onely my part, but every good Subjects duty with society to correct. And for avoiding of offence, I have rather done it in this private Booke, then in any Booke of the Statutes it selfe, trusting that all men will take it in good part.

Scholar. I would wish so, but I dare not so hope, sith never good man that would reform error, could reforme the venomous tongues of envious detractors, which because they either cannot or list not to doe any good themselves, doe delight to bark at the doings of others, but I beseech you to stay nothing for their perverse behaviour.

Master. I consider many things that some may object, whereunto I am not unprovided of just answers, but I will not seem so hasty to make the answers before I heare their Objections, but as I trust that men are of a better nature, and more gratefull now then some have been in times past. As I have done in the Statute of Assise of bread in rate of shillings, so will I set forth the like Table in pounds and ounces, and the parts thereof, that it may be easily applyed to all times: But I meane not by this to alter any word of the Statute, (being so good an Ordinance, and of so great continuance) but onely to make it as a kinde of exposition and declaration of the said Statute, trusting that thereby the Statute may be better understood and consequently

Concerning the following Tables.

A pound  
weight.

sequently better put in execution. And here you shall note, that I have accounted the shillings after the rate of 60 shillings to the pound weight, because I esteem it the most apt for our time. And here, soze in the first Columne you finde the price of Wheat directly against it; in the second Columne, you may finde the weight of a farthing white loafe, in this our time; and if you double the number (as I have done in the third Columne) then have you the weight of the halfe penny white loafe; and so in the fourth Columne) is set the weight of a penny white loafe; It needeth not to tell, that the sight doth testifie how that every Columne is parted into three smaller pillars, whereof the first Columne hath these three titles; pounds, ounces and penny weights. And as in the first Columne 12 pence make a shilling, and 20 shillings make a pound, so in the other three Columnes 20 pence weight maketh an ounce, and 12 ounces make a pound.

**G**entle Reader, touching the understanding of the Table following, wherein according to our time, *Master Record* alloweth 60 pence to the ounce, and 3 pound or 60 shillings to the pound, and thereupon after the rate of 60 shillings to the pound Troy, doth he frame or produce this his Table, beginning at 3 shillings the quarter till it come to 40 shillings 6 pence the quarter. and this is his proportion (for that he hath not set downe any one *Example* to continue the worke) hath been hard for many to conceive or comprehend, and therefore the onely chief cause why I have written this *digression* for the better understanding of him therein.

The first thing therefore that is sought for in this Table, as in the other afore said, is a *Maxime* grounded upon the Statute, which is this. When the quarter of wheat is sold for two shillings, then the farthing white loafe shall weigh 68 shillings, whereby a shilling is meant of a pound, and by a penny  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an ounce. Now there-

fore



fore for a generall Rule, to finde what weight the *farthing white loafe* shall weigh at 3 *shillings the quarter*, till you come to 40 *shillings 6 pence the quarter*, is thus to be wrought. Comming to the first ground; and working by the *Backer Rule*, say; If two *shillings the quarter* give, or allow the *farthing white loafe* to weigh 60 *shillings*, what weight ought the *farthing white loafe* to weigh at 3 *shillings the quarter*? Worke, and you shall find 45 *shillings 4 pence*, as before in the correction of the first table is noted. Then for the second work, say by the Rule of Three Direct, if 20 *pence* give one ounce, what giveth 45 *shillings 4 pence*? multiply and divide; and you shall finde 544 ounces, which 544 ounces being multiplied by 3, for 3 pounds, or 60 *shillings*, yeeldeth 1632 ounces, which divided by 20, produceth 81 ounces, &  $\frac{12}{20}$  or rather  $\frac{3}{5}$  of an ounce, equall unto 12 penny weight, which is halfe an ounce, & 2 penny weight, & so maketh in all 6 pounds, 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces & 2 penny weight. Now the next way to continue this table, to know the weight of the halfe penny white loafe, is thus, multiply 1632 ounces by 2, & it bringeth forth 3264 ounces, & divided by 20, it yeeldeth 163 ounces and  $\frac{4}{5}$ , which is equall to 13 pounds 7 ounces, and 4 penny weight, as M. Record his Table noteth.

Thirdly, for the weight of the penny white loafe, multiply 1632 ounces by 4, and divide by 20, and after by 12 as before, and you shall finde 27 pounds 2 ounces, and 8 penny weight, &c. This Method, or else by doubling the *farthing white loafe*, for the weight of the halfe penny white loafe, and so doubling the halfe penny white loafe, for the weight of the penny white loafe, is the order to continue the table to the end thereof.

## The price of a quarter of Wheat.

| li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|
| 0   | 3  | 0  |
| 0   | 4  | 6  |
| 0   | 6  | 0  |
| 0   | 7  | 6  |
| 0   | 9  | 0  |
| 0   | 10 | 6  |
| 0   | 12 | 0  |
| 0   | 13 | 6  |
| 0   | 15 | 0  |
| 0   | 16 | 6  |
| 0   | 18 | 0  |
| 0   | 19 | 6  |
| 1   | 1  | 0  |
| 1   | 2  | 6  |
| 1   | 4  | 0  |
| 1   | 5  | 6  |
| 1   | 7  | 0  |
| 1   | 8  | 6  |
| 1   | 10 | 0  |
| 1   | 11 | 6  |
| 1   | 13 | 0  |
| 1   | 14 | 6  |
| 1   | 16 | 0  |
| 1   | 17 | 6  |
| 1   | 19 | 0  |
| ,   | 0  | 6  |

## The weight of a farthing white loaf.

| Po. | Ounces. | Penny weight.                  |
|-----|---------|--------------------------------|
| 6   | 9       | 12                             |
| 4   | 6       | 8                              |
| 3   | 4       | 16                             |
| 2   | 8       | 12 <sup>4</sup> <sub>5</sub>   |
| 2   | 3       | 4                              |
| 1   | 11      | 6 <sup>2</sup> <sub>7</sub>    |
| 1   | 8       | 8                              |
| 1   | 6       | 2 <sup>2</sup> <sub>3</sub>    |
| 1   | 4       | 6 <sup>2</sup> <sub>5</sub>    |
| 1   | 2       | 16 <sup>4</sup> <sub>11</sub>  |
| 1   | 1       | 12                             |
| 1   | 0       | 11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>17</sub>  |
|     | 11      | 13 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>   |
|     | 10      | 17 <sup>1</sup> <sub>3</sub>   |
|     | 10      | 4                              |
|     | 9       | 12                             |
|     | 9       | 1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>3</sub>    |
|     | 8       | 11 <sup>11</sup> <sub>19</sub> |
|     | 8       | 3 <sup>1</sup> <sub>5</sub>    |
|     | 7       | 15 <sup>1</sup> <sub>7</sub>   |
|     | 7       | 8 <sup>4</sup> <sub>11</sub>   |
|     | 7       | 1 <sup>11</sup> <sub>23</sub>  |
|     | 6       | 16                             |
|     | 6       | 10 <sup>14</sup> <sub>25</sub> |
|     | 6       | 5 <sup>7</sup> <sub>17</sub>   |
|     | 6       | 0 <sup>8</sup> <sub>0</sub>    |

## The price of a quarter of Wheat.

| li. | s. | l. |
|-----|----|----|
| 0   | 3  | 0  |
| 0   | 4  | 6  |
| 0   | 6  | 0  |
| 0   | 7  | 6  |
| 0   | 9  | 0  |
| 0   | 10 | 6  |
| 0   | 12 | 0  |
| 0   | 13 | 6  |
| 0   | 15 | 0  |
| 0   | 16 | 6  |
| 0   | 18 | 0  |
| 0   | 19 | 6  |
| 1   | 1  | 0  |
| 1   | 2  | 6  |
| 1   | 4  | 0  |
| 1   | 5  | 6  |
| 1   | 7  | 0  |
| 1   | 8  | 6  |
| 1   | 10 | 0  |
| 1   | 11 | 6  |
| 1   | 13 | 0  |
| 1   | 14 | 6  |
| 1   | 16 | 0  |
| 1   | 17 | 6  |
| 1   | 19 | 0  |
| 2   | 0  | 9  |

## The weight of a half penny white loaf.

| Po. | Ounces. | Penny weight.    |
|-----|---------|------------------|
| 13  | 7       | 4                |
| 9   | 0       | 16               |
| 6   | 9       | 12               |
| 5   | 5       | $5\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 4   | 6       | 8                |
| 3   | 10      | $12\frac{4}{7}$  |
| 3   | 4       | 16               |
| 3   | 0       | $5\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 2   | 8       | $12\frac{4}{5}$  |
| 2   | 5       | $13\frac{4}{11}$ |
| 2   | 3       | 4                |
| 2   | 1       | $2\frac{2}{13}$  |
| 1   | 1       | $16\frac{2}{7}$  |
| 1   | 9       | $15\frac{1}{5}$  |
| 1   | 8       | 8                |
| 1   | 7       | 4                |
| 1   | 6       | $2\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 1   | 5       | $3\frac{11}{19}$ |
| 1   | 4       | $6\frac{2}{5}$   |
| 1   | 3       | $10\frac{2}{7}$  |
| 1   | 2       | $16\frac{1}{11}$ |
| 1   | 2       | $3\frac{12}{23}$ |
| 1   | 1       | 12               |
| 1   | 1       | $1\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 1   | 0       | $11\frac{1}{13}$ |
| 0   | 0       | $1\frac{6}{7}$   |

## The weight of a half penny white loaf.

| Po. | Ounces. | Penny weight.    |
|-----|---------|------------------|
| 27  | 2       | 8                |
| 18  | 1       | 12               |
| 13  | 7       | 4                |
| 10  | 10      | $11\frac{1}{5}$  |
| 9   | 0       | 16               |
| 7   | 9       | $5\frac{1}{7}$   |
| 6   | 9       | 12               |
| 6   | 0       | $10\frac{2}{3}$  |
| 4   | 5       | $5\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 4   | 11      | $6\frac{12}{11}$ |
| 4   | 6       | 8                |
| 4   | 2       | $4\frac{4}{5}$   |
| 3   | 10      | $12\frac{4}{7}$  |
| 3   | 7       | $10\frac{2}{5}$  |
| 3   | 4       | 16               |
| 3   | 2       | 8                |
| 3   | 0       | $5\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 2   | 10      | $7\frac{1}{19}$  |
| 2   | 8       | $12\frac{4}{5}$  |
| 2   | 7       | $1\frac{1}{7}$   |
| 2   | 5       | $13\frac{5}{17}$ |
| 2   | 4       | $7\frac{12}{23}$ |
| 2   | 3       | 4                |
| 2   | 2       | $7\frac{6}{31}$  |
| 2   | 1       | $2\frac{1}{13}$  |
| 2   | 0       | $3\frac{1}{9}$   |

**H**AVING spoken before for the understanding of the *Table* placed by M. Resord, a man indued with rare knowledge in *Arithmeticall* and *Geometricall* proportions, touching the *Statute of Coynage*, and the *Standard thereof*, as appeareth in his *Epistle* of this *Book* dedicated to *King Edward the sixth*, insinuating unto his Highnesse that the *Standard of Coyne* is much altered from the 14. yeare of *King Edward the third* (when this *Statute and Assise* was confirmed) to the *Standard of this our time*. For it appeareth that in *King Edward the thirds time*, when the *Assise of Bread and Drink* was established, that a *Sterling penny*, round without clipping, did then weigh 32 *cornes* of wheat dried, and taken out of the middle of the *eaxe*, and 20 of these pence made an ounce, and 12 ounces made a pound Troy. And so from the weight of a penny to 20 shillings sterling, which then weighed 12 ounces, tooke Bread his weight and proportion: And now finding 60 pence is an ounce. That onely cause (I perceive, for the zeale of a Common-wealth) moved him to set downe the same *Table* in this *private Booke*; meaning not thereby to alter any word of the *Statute* being so good an ordinance & of so long continuance, but as a kinde of exposition by the way, that thereby the *Statute* may be better understood, and so consequently better put in execution. Which *Assise of his*, is three times greater then the *Statute* now alloweth. Therefore also, to gratifie such as are desirous of knowledge, according to these prices of a quarter of wheat I have added to this *Author* these three other new *Tables* following and reduced their prices into their just proportions of *Sterling money*, and also reduced the money into known weight Troy, according to the *Statute*. And thereafter according to proportion in my other three *Tables*, have I noted the just weight that a Farthing, Half penny, and Penny white-loffe, ought to weigh by the *Statute*.



## The price of a Quarter of Wheat.

| li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|
| 0   | 3  | 0  |
| 0   | 4  | 0  |
| 0   | 6  | 0  |
| 0   | 7  | 0  |
| 0   | 9  | 0  |
| 0   | 10 | 0  |
| 0   | 12 | 0  |
| 0   | 13 | 0  |
| 0   | 15 | 0  |
| 0   | 16 | 0  |
| 0   | 18 | 0  |
| 0   | 19 | 0  |
| 1   | 1  | 0  |
| 1   | 2  | 0  |
| 1   | 4  | 0  |
| 1   | 5  | 0  |
| 1   | 7  | 0  |
| 1   | 8  | 0  |
| 1   | 10 | 0  |
| 1   | 11 | 0  |
| 1   | 13 | 0  |
| 1   | 14 | 0  |
| 1   | 16 | 0  |
| 1   | 17 | 0  |
| 1   | 19 | 0  |
| 1   | 0  | 6  |

The weight of a half penny white loaf in Troy weight by Assize.

| Pn. | Oun. | Penny              |
|-----|------|--------------------|
| 1   | 6    | 8                  |
| 4   | 1    | 5 $\frac{1}{3}$    |
| 3   | 1    | 4                  |
| 2   | 3    | 4                  |
| 1   | 9    | 15 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 1   | 6    | 2 $\frac{2}{3}$    |
| 1   | 3    | 10 $\frac{6}{7}$   |
| 1   | 1    | 12                 |
| 1   | 1    | 1 $\frac{1}{9}$    |
| 1   | 10   | 17 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 0   | 10   | 17 $\frac{1}{11}$  |
| 0   | 9    | 1 $\frac{1}{3}$    |
| 0   | 8    | 7 $\frac{1}{3}$    |
| 0   | 8    | 3 $\frac{1}{3}$    |
| 0   | 7    | 5 $\frac{1}{3}$    |
| 0   | 6    | 16                 |
| 0   | 6    | 8                  |
| 0   | 6    | 0 $\frac{2}{9}$    |
| 0   | 5    | 14 $\frac{10}{19}$ |
| 0   | 5    | 8 $\frac{4}{5}$    |
| 0   | 5    | 0 $\frac{14}{21}$  |
| 0   | 5    | 19                 |
| 0   | 4    | 14 $\frac{14}{23}$ |
| 0   | 4    | 11 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 0   | 4    | 7 $\frac{1}{5}$    |
| 0   | 4    | 3 $\frac{2}{3}$    |
| 0   | 4    | 0 $\frac{1}{2}$    |

The weight of a half penny white loaf in Troy weight by Assize.

| Pn. | Oun. | ny                |
|-----|------|-------------------|
| 9   | 0    | 16                |
| 6   | 0    | 10 $\frac{1}{3}$  |
| 4   | 6    | 8                 |
| 3   | 7    | 10 $\frac{1}{5}$  |
| 3   | 0    | 5 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 2   | 7    | 1 $\frac{2}{5}$   |
| 2   | 3    | 4                 |
| 2   | 0    | 3 $\frac{1}{9}$   |
| 1   | 9    | 15 $\frac{1}{5}$  |
| 1   | 7    | 15 $\frac{1}{9}$  |
| 1   | 6    | 3 $\frac{2}{3}$   |
| 1   | 4    | 14 $\frac{1}{11}$ |
| 1   | 4    | 0 $\frac{4}{5}$   |
| 1   | 2    | 10 $\frac{1}{13}$ |
| 1   | 1    | 12                |
| 1   | 0    | 16                |
| 1   | 0    | 1 $\frac{7}{9}$   |
| 0   | 11   | 9 $\frac{1}{12}$  |
| 0   | 10   | 17 $\frac{1}{9}$  |
| 0   | 10   | 7 $\frac{1}{12}$  |
| 0   | 9    | 18                |
| 0   | 9    | 9 $\frac{1}{23}$  |
| 0   | 9    | 2 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 0   | 8    | 14 $\frac{1}{21}$ |
| 0   | 8    | 7 $\frac{1}{21}$  |
| 0   | 8    | 1                 |



Scholar. Sir I do thanke you most heartily for this, not onely in mine owne name, and in the name of all students, but also in the name of the whole Commons, to whom the restitution of this Assise (I trust) shall bring restitution of the weight in Weap, which long time hath been abused. And if you know any thing moze, wherein you would vouchsafe to declare the errours, and set forth the truth, you carnot but obtain great thankes of all good hearted men that love the Commonwealch.

Maſt. I have sundry things to declare, but I have reserved them for a private Woke by it self, yet notwithstanding because the statute of the rate of measuring of grounds is so common, that it toucheth all men, and yet no more common then needfull, but so much corrupt, that is, so farre out of all good rate; not onely in the English Bookes of statutes, commonly Printed, but also in the Latin Bookes, and in the French also, (for I have read of each sort, and conferred them diligently) I will give you a Table for the restitution of those errors, as may suffice for this present time. And first I will propose one question to you touching the use of that statute, whereby you may perceibe the order how to examine the whole statute, and every parcell thereof, and the question is this.

When the Acre of ground doth containe foure Perches in breadth, then must it contain 40 Perches in length. Then do I demand of you, how much shall the length of an Acre be, when there is in the breadth of it 13 Perches. But before you shall answer to this question, I will declare unto you another Statute, which is the ground of the former Statute. And that Statute is this.

It

Statute  
measure.

It is ordained, that three Barly-cornes dry and round, shall make up the measure of an inch: 12 inches shall make a foot, & 3 foot a yard, (the common English books have an Elne) five yards and a halfe shall make a Perch, and 40 Perches in length, and 4 in breadth shall make an Acre. This is that Statute, whereby you may perceiue, that the intent of the statute is, that one Acre should containe 160 square Perches. Now let me hear you answer to the question.

An Acre.

Scholar. As I perceiue by the words of the Statute, a Perch to be the  $\frac{1}{160}$  part of an Acre, so could I make those numbers all in fractions, and so worke the question: but seeing I may doe it also in whole numbers, I take that forme for the most ease; therefore thus I set the question in forme. Then doe I multiply 40 by 4, and it maketh 160, which I diuide by 13, and the Quo-  $\frac{4}{13} \text{Z} \frac{40}{13}$  tient is  $12 \frac{8}{13}$ .

Master. Now turne that  $\frac{4}{13}$  into the common parts of a Perch, as they be named in the former statute: Howbest it shall be best to take one of the least parts in Denomination for aboyding of much labour, as Feete, whereof the Perch containeth  $16 \frac{1}{2}$ .

Scholar. Then to return  $\frac{4}{13}$  into Feete, I multiply  $16 \frac{1}{2}$  by 4, and it maketh 66. which I must diuide by 13, and the Quotient is  $5 \frac{1}{13}$ .

Master. So I find, that if the Acre hold in breadth 13 Perches, it shall containe in length 13 Perches  $5 \text{ Foot}$ , &  $\frac{1}{13}$  of a foote, which is not fully an

Note this  
error

Inch, for the Inches is  $\frac{1}{12}$  of a foot. But here all the Statute Bookes in Latine and English (that I haue seene) doe note it to be 13 Perches, 5 foote, and

one Inch, which make above 13 Perches too many in the Acre: so that I would have thought the error to have crept into the Printed Bookes, by the great negligence that Printers in our time doe use, save that in written copies of great antiquity, I doe finde the same; yet have I one French copy which hath 12 Perches  $\frac{1}{4}$  and one foote, and that misseth very little of the truth.

Scholar. When I see it is true that I have often heard say, that the truest Copies of the Statutes, be the French copies.

Master. That is often true, but not generally, as I have by conference tried diversity: but in this Statute the French Booke is most corrupt: in all other places lightly.

But now to performe my promise, I will set forth the Table for measuring of an Acre of ground, onely by such parts as the Statute doth mention, because at this time I doe of purpose write it for the better understanding of that Statute, and hereafter with other things intend to set forth this same more at large.

In this Table following, I have not done as in the other Statute before compared by restitution with the faults crept into the Statute, but only have written that true measure, which the equity of the Statute doth pretend. For it were vile to judge of so noble Princes and worthy Counsellors, as have authorized and set forth this Statute, that they would make one acre in any forme greater then another, but every one to be just and equall with each other, which is the ground also of my worke: & hereby may all men perceive how needfull Arithmetick is to the Students of Law. But

now

*now I think best to make an end of these matters for this present time, fith the Table bath in it no obscurity that I should need to declare.*

| The breadth of the Acre. | The length of the Acre. |       |         |                  |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------|------------------|
|                          | Petches                 | Feet. | Inches. | Parts of an Inch |
| 10                       | 16                      | 0     | 0       | 0                |
| 11                       | 14                      | 9     | 0       | 0                |
| 12                       | 13                      | 5     | 6       | 0                |
| 13                       | 12                      | 5     | 0       | $\frac{18}{13}$  |
| 14                       | 11                      | 7     | 0       | $\frac{6}{7}$    |
| 15                       | 10                      | 11    | 0       | 0                |
| 16                       | 10                      | 0     | 0       | 0                |
| 17                       | 9                       | 6     | 9       | $\frac{2}{17}$   |
| 18                       | 8                       | 14    | 8       | 0                |
| 19                       | 8                       | 6     | 11      | $\frac{2}{19}$   |
| 20                       | 8                       | 0     | 0       | 0                |
| 21                       | 7                       | 10    | 2       | $\frac{4}{7}$    |
| 22                       | 7                       | 4     | 6       | 0                |
| 23                       | 6                       | 15    | 9       | $\frac{2}{23}$   |
| 24                       | 6                       | 11    | 0       | 0                |
| 25                       | 6                       | 6     | 7       | $\frac{1}{5}$    |
| 26                       | 6                       | 2     | 6       | $\frac{6}{13}$   |
| 27                       | 5                       | 15    | 3       | $\frac{1}{3}$    |

| The breadth of the Acre. | The length of the Acre. |       |         |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------|-------------------|
|                          | Perches                 | Feet. | Inches: | Parts of an Inch. |
| 28                       |                         |       |         |                   |
| 29                       | 5                       | 11    | 9       | $\frac{1}{7}$     |
| 30                       | 5                       | 8     | 6       | $\frac{12}{29}$   |
| 31                       | 5                       | 5     | 6       | 0                 |
| 32                       | 5                       | 2     | 7       | $\frac{28}{31}$   |
| 33                       | 5                       | 0     | 0       | 0                 |
| 34                       | 4                       | 14    | 0       | 0                 |
| 35                       | 4                       | 11    | 7       | $\frac{11}{17}$   |
| 36                       | 4                       | 9     | 5       | $\frac{1}{5}$     |
| 37                       | 4                       | 7     | 4       | 0                 |
| 38                       | 4                       | 5     | 4       | $\frac{1}{37}$    |
| 39                       | 4                       | 3     | 5       | $\frac{1}{19}$    |
| 40                       | 4                       | 1     | 8       | $\frac{4}{13}$    |
| 41                       | 4                       | 0     | 0       | 0                 |
| 42                       | 3                       | 14    | 10      | $\frac{21}{41}$   |
| 43                       | 3                       | 13    | 4       | $\frac{8}{7}$     |
| 44                       | 3                       | 11    | 10      | $\frac{12}{43}$   |
| 45                       | 3                       | 10    | 6       | 0                 |
| 46                       | 3                       | 9     | 2       | 0                 |

Scholar. Indeed Sir, I understand the Table (as I thinke) by those other which you set forth before. For in the first columnne is set the Perches of the breadth of an Acre, and then in the two Columns following appeareth how many Perches, and how many foote that same Acre must have for his length.

Master.

Master, You take it well : howbett to speake exactly of breadth and length, and the first Columne doth sometime betoken the breadth, and sometime the length : for properly the longest side of any square doth limite his length, and the shorter side doth betoken the breadth, yet it is no great abuse in such Tables, where a man cannot well change the Title, to let the name remaine, although the proportions of the numbers doe change : for still by the first Columne is expressed the measure of the one side, and by the two other pillars in one Columne, is set forth the measure of the other side. And this shall be sufficient now for the use of the Golden Rule.

### The Rule of Fellowship.

The Rule  
of Fellow-  
ship with-  
out time.

**N**OW will I touch certaine other Rules, which for their severall names may seeme divers Rules, and distinct from this, but indeed they are but branches of it : yet because they have severall workings in appearance, but also pleasant in use, I will give you a taste of each of them. As for the Rule of Fellowship, both single and double, with time and without time, I shall need to say little more then I have already said in teaching the workes of whole numbers : yet an example or two will we have to refresh the remembrance of the same, and to declare certain proper uses and applications of it, as this for one.

A question  
of inequall  
society.

*Four men got a booty or prize in time of warre, the prize is in value of money 8190 pound, and because*  
the



the men be not of like degree, therefore their shares may not be equall; but the chiefeſt perſon will have of the booty the third part, and the tenth part over; the ſecond will have a quarter, and the tenth part over: the third will have the ſixth part: and ſo there is left for the fourth man a very ſmall portion, but ſuch as his lot (whether he be pleaſed or wroth) he muſt be content with one 20 part of the prey: Now I demand of you what ſhall every man have to his ſhare?

Scholar. You muſt be ſain to answer to your owne queſtion, elſe it is not like to be answered at this time.

Maſter. The forme to underſtand the ſolution of this queſtion, and all ſuch like, is this: Reduce all the Denominators into one number by Multiplication, except that any of them be parts of ſome other of them, for all ſuch parts you may overpaſſe and take for them all thoſe numbers, whole parts they be: as in this example the ſhares be theſe  $\frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{20}$ . If I multiply all the Denominators together, beginning with 3, and ſo goe on unto 20, it will make 144000: but conſidering that 3 is a part of 6, I will omit that 3, and likewiſe 10, which is a part of 20, I may overpaſſe alſo, & then is there but 3 Denominators to multiply, that is, 4, 6, and 20 which make 480, which ſumme I take for my worke, becauſe all the Denominators will be found in it. Then I take ſuch parts of it as the queſtion ſuppoſeth, that is, for the firſt man  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{10}$ , the  $\frac{1}{3}$  is 160, the  $\frac{1}{10}$  is 48, which I put in one ſumme for the firſt mans ſhare, and it maketh 208. Then for the ſecond mans ſhare, I take  $\frac{1}{4}$ , which is 120, and  $\frac{1}{10}$  which is 48, and that maketh in the whole

whole 168. Now for the third man which must have  $\frac{1}{2}$ , I take 80. And for the fourth man there remaineth but 24, which is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe: so that if the whole prey had been but 480 pound, then were the question answered: but because the summe was of greater value, by this meanes now shall I know the partition of it. I must set my numbers by the order of the Golden Rule, putting in the first place the number of that I found by multiplying the Denominators, and in the second place the summe of the booty. And look what proportion is between the first number and the second, the same proportion shall be between the parts of that first number, and the parts of the second, comparing each to his like. Therefore I must put in the third place, one of the parts or shares, and then worke by the former Rule of proportion or Golden Rule. And because I have 4 severall parts of the first number, by which I would find out four like parts of the second number, therefore must I make foure severall figures.

Scholar. Now I trust I can answer to your question, as by your favor I will prove:

And to trie it, I set the foure figures thus, marked with A, B, C, D, to shew their order.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{A} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 208 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{B} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 168 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{C} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 81190 \\ 80 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{D} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 24 \end{array}$$

And then in each of them I multiply the second number by the third, and divide their totall by the first, and so amounteth the fourth summe which I seek for: for if I doe multiply 8190 by 208, it maketh 1703520, which being divided by 480, maketh in the Quotient 3549 for the first mans portion.

And so working with the other three figures, I finde for the second man 2866 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and for the third man 1365, and then for the fourth man 409 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and so every mans share is set forth in the figure here annexed.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{A} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 208 \text{ Z } 3549 \\ \text{C} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{B} \\ 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 168 \text{ Z } 2866\frac{1}{2} \\ \text{D} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 480 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 80 \text{ Z } 1365 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 420 \text{ Z } 8190 \\ 24 \text{ Z } 409\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

And thus I think I have done well.

Master, If you misdoubt your working, and list The proof of Addition.  
to prove it, adde all the shares together; and if they make the totall, then seemeth it well done.

Scholar. I may set them thus: and then by Addition the last summe both amount, that is, 8190, and therefore (as you say) it seemeth to be well wrought.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3549 \\ 2866\frac{1}{2} \\ 1365 \\ 409\frac{1}{2} \\ \hline 8190 \end{array}$$

But I beseech you, is there any doubt in this triall, that you use that word seemeth?

Master. You may easily conjecture, that if you did assigne the first mans share to the last, and so change all the rest, and one had anothers share, yet would the Addition appeare all one, and therefore is not the proof exact.

The just  
Proof.

But if you will make a just proof for the first mans part, take  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{10}$  of the whole summe, and if it agree with the number in the figure, then it is well done. And so do for the second, third, and fourth summes, and this proof faileth not. Now will I propound certaine other questions, which have been set forth by certain learned men, albeit not without some oversight, which questions I protest heartily, I doe not repeate to deprave those good men, whose labours and studies I much praise and greatly delight in. But onely according to my profession, to seeke out truth in all things, and to remove all occasions of error as much as in me lieth: and for that cause I will onely name the questions without hurting the Authors name.

A question The first question is this.

of building *Four men did build an house, which cost them 3000 crownes, their shares were such that one man should pay  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the summe & six crownes over: the second should pay  $\frac{1}{3}$  and 12 crownes over: the third man must lay out  $\frac{2}{3}$  abating 8 crownes: and the fourth man should pay  $\frac{1}{4}$  and 20 crownes more. Can you answer to this question?*

Scholar. No, I cannot sir, and that you know best of any man, for I know no more then you have taught me.

Master.

Master. When I dare say you cannot doe it, nei-  
ther yet the best learned man that ever did propose  
it: for the question is impossible. For declaration  
whereof, I will be hold to use first the representa-  
tion of the Numbers in their aptest forme, (al-  
though I have not yet taught that manner of  
worke) because it may appeare plainly that the  
question is not possible. For here I have set the  
parts, and added them, and they make the whole  
sum, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  & 30 more. Now how is it  
possible to divide truely either gaires,  
either charges, so that the particulars  
1  $\frac{1}{4}$  shall be more then the totall?

$$\left. \begin{array}{r} \frac{1}{2} + 6 \\ \frac{1}{3} + 12 \\ \frac{2}{3} - 8 \\ \frac{1}{4} + 20 \end{array} \right\}$$

Scholar. It is against the forme  
of proofe by addition of parts.

Master. You say truth. And (because you shall  
perceive it the better) I will trie it after the vul-  
gar forme, as in this figure you see where 1505  
the  $\frac{1}{2}$  with 6 over, is 1506, for the totall as 1012  
you heard before, is 3000, the  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the 12 1992  
more is 1012: the  $\frac{2}{3}$  would be 2000, but 770  
then abating 8, it is but 1992, and then last 5280  
of all, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  is 750, and the 20 more maketh 770:  
which all being added in one summe doe make  
5280 where the totall summe should be but  
3000, which summe of 3000 if you divide by  $\frac{1}{4}$ , you  
shall have  $\frac{1}{4}$  of it, that is 1250, and thereto add 30  
more, then will those three sums make 5280: 2000  
whereby you may see how this forme 2250  
(as well as the other) doth declare that the  
particulars in that question would make 5280  
more then the whole summe by  $\frac{1}{4}$  and 30 more, and  
therefore can that question not be accepted as a

possible thing, but yet doe certaine learned men propound such questions, and answer to them: Wherefore somewhat to say to their excuse (rather of their good meaning, then for their doing) I will anon declare what may be said for their defence: but in the meane season, I will propound the question as it may be wrought by good possibility.

The former question of building now possible.

As if foure men build a house together, and it cost them 3000 Crownes, and then for the partition they agree thus: that as often as the first man doth pay 6 Crownes, so often the second man shall pay 4, the third man 8, and the fourth man 3. Or else thus, that the first man shall pay double so much as the fourth, and the second man shall pay  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the first mans charge: the third man shall pay double so much as the second: (and these two ways are to one end) but further for their agreement it is appointed also, that the first shall give 6 Crownes overplus, and the second 12, and the fourth shall give 20, but the third man shall give no overplus, but shall have 8 Crownes abated of his charge.

Now is the question possible to be assailed, and this is the way to doe it. Marke the proportion of the severall charges, and set out small numbers in that Rate, by which you may reduce the worke to the Golden Rule, as here in the first forme the numbers are already named, 6, 4, 8, 3: and in the second forme, although they be but plainly named, yet they may be the same numbers: for 6 is double to 3, and 4 is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 6: and againe 8 is double to 4. Now adde these together, and they make 21, which 21 must be set for the first number in the Golden Rule: for if it with the overplus of each mans charge would make the totall summe of the charges



charges, then were those severall summes the charges of each man, besides his overplus: but now it is not so.

But yet this is true: (so excellent are conclusions Arithmetical) that look what proportion each of their severall summes doth bear to 21, the same proportion doth the just charges of every man (besides his overplus) beare to the totall of the charges, the overplus being deducted: wherefore this may you note, that before you doe apply the totall of his charges to the golden rule, you must deduct the overplus, which is 6, 12, and 20, that is in the whole 38: but then 8 must be restored for the abatement of the third man, and then remaineth to be deducted 30: take 30 therefore out of 3000, and there will rest 2970, which I must set in the Golden Rule, for the second summe: and for the third summe, I must put each of the small numbers before mentioned, which although they be not severall charges, yet they represent them in proportion. And so making for every mans charge a severall question, the figures will be 4, which I marke with four letters, A, B, C, D, thus,

$$\begin{array}{r} A \\ 21 \overline{) 2970} \\ 6 \overline{) 848} \frac{4}{7} \\ C \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \overline{) 2970} \\ 8 \overline{) 1131} \frac{2}{7} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} B \\ 21 \overline{) 2970} \\ 4 \overline{) 565} \frac{2}{7} \\ D \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \overline{) 2970} \\ 3 \overline{) 424} \frac{2}{7} \end{array}$$

Where I have set for briefnesse the summe of every mans charge in the fourth place, presupposing that you can tell how to try out the fourth summe

by so many Examples as ye have had.

Scholar. As I trust that I understand this forme, so I desire much to know what may be said for them that mistake this Question.

Master. You seem so desirous to know this error, that you have forgotten to examine, whether this work be without fault.

Scholar. We seemeth this worke to be well done, because the Addition of the foure severall numbers doth make the totall summe of 2070, which was to be divided into such foure parts.

Master. But then have you forgotten that the first man must pay sixe crownes more besides his share, and the second man 12. Crownes more, the third man 8 crownes lesse, and the fourth man 20 crownes more; for without these, your first totall of 3000 crownes will not be made.

Scholar. Then must I add to the first mans summe 6 more, and it will bee  $854 \frac{2}{3}$  and to the seconds summe, I must adde 12, and it will be  $577 \frac{1}{3}$ : from the thirds summe I must abate 8, and then will the summe bee  $1131 \frac{1}{3}$ : then adding unto the fourths summe 20, it will be  $444 \frac{2}{3}$ , and these foure summes will make 3000, which is the whole charge, as in this example it may appear, where first I gather the  $\frac{2}{3}$ , that maketh 2, and so proceed I in the Addition to the end.

|                    |
|--------------------|
| 854 $\frac{2}{3}$  |
| 577 $\frac{1}{3}$  |
| 1123 $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| 444 $\frac{2}{3}$  |
| -----              |
| 3000               |

Master. Now have you well done, and this worke in the same summes is brought of other Learned men for the true solution of the question, as it was proposed, which (as I said) was impossible.

possible : and now examine by these severall  
summes, and see whether it doth agree with  
the summes in the Question proposed.

The first man must pay  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 6 over of the  
totall summe : how think you, is 854  $\frac{1}{2}$  the halfe  
and 6 more of 3000?

Scholar. No that it is not, for it should be 1506:  
and for the second man 1012: and for the third man  
1992, and for the fourth man 770: whereof not one  
summe agreeth to this worke. But I marvel,  
that so wise men could be so much over-seen.

Master. It is commonly seen, that when men will  
receive things from elder wrikers & will not examine  
the thing, they seeme rather willing to erre with  
their Ancients for company, then to be bold to ex-  
amine their workes or writings. Which scrupulo-  
sity hath ingendred infinite errors in all kindes of  
knowledge, & in all civill administration, & so in every  
kinde of Art. But these Learned men did not mean  
any other thing by this question, then to finde such  
numbers as should beare the same proportion toge-  
ther, as those numbers in the question proposed did  
bear one to another: which thing you shall perceive  
more plainly by another question of theirs, that is  
this.

*A man lying upon his Death-bed, bequeathed his Aquestion  
goods (which were worth 3600 Crownes) in this sort: because his Wife was great with childe, and  
he yet uncertaine whether the Childe were Male or Female, hee made his bequest conditionally, that if  
the Wife bare a Daughter, then should the Wife have halfe his goods, and the Daughter  $\frac{1}{3}$ , but if  
she were delivered of a Sonne, then that Sonne should*

have  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the goods, and his Wife but  $\frac{1}{3}$ : Now it chanced her to bring forth both a Sonne and a Daughter; the question is, How shall they part the goods agreeable to the Testatour his Will?

S. If some cunning Lawyers had this matter in scanning, they would determine this Testament to be quite void, & so the Man to die intestate, because the Testament was made insufficient, sith this condition was not expressed in it, and also it might have chanced that wee should have brought forth neither Sonne nor Daughter, as often hath bene seene: so is the Will insufficient in that point also.

Master. Such Scanners should seem too cunning and yet not so cunning as cruell: for the minde of the Testator is to be taken favorably for the aid of the Legataries, when there ariseth such doubt. But let us try this work, not by force of Law, but by proportion Geometricall, seeing the Testator did minde to provide for each sort of them.

Scholar. If the Sonne shall have  $\frac{1}{2}$  by force of the Testament so must the Mother have  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Again, because she hath a Daughter also, therefore ought she to have  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the Daughter  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is both wayes  $\frac{2}{3}$ , &  $\frac{1}{3}$ , which commeth to the whole goods, &  $\frac{2}{3}$  more.

Wherefore it seemeth also impossible.

Master. In this matter the minde of the testator is to be understood that such proportion should be between the portion of the Wife, and the Sonne, as is between  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and  $\frac{1}{2}$ , that is, the Sonne must have  $\frac{2}{3}$ , for  $\frac{2}{3}$  to his Mother, so shall he have 3 to 2, that is as much as his Mother, and halfe as much more; and the Mother must have the like rate in comparison to her Daughter.

Then

Then must I finde out 3 numbers in such proportion, that the first may have as much as the second, and halfe as much more (that is) in proportion sesquialtera, and the second to the third in that same proportion : such numbers, be 9, 6, 4.

Scholar. I pray you Sir, how shall I finde out these numbers ?

Master. What will I gladly tell you.

VVhatsoever the proportion be of any three numbers, multiply the Termes of that proportion together, and the number that amounteth shall be the middle number of the three : then multiply that middle number by the lesser term, and divide that totall by the greater, and the least number of the three will amount. So if you multiply that middle number by the greater extreame, and divide the totall by the lesser extreame, then will the greatest number of that Progression amount.

Scholar. Then in this example to finde the proportion of  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{3}$ , I must divide (as you taught me in Division)  $\frac{1}{2}$  by  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and the Quotient will be  $\frac{3}{2}$ , that is,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ . whereby I perceiue that the proportion in this question is as three to 2. Therefore as you taught me even now, I multiply 3, by 2, and the summe is 6, which must be the middle number : then I multiply the middle number 6 by 2, which is the least terme, and the summe is 12, that I doe divide by 3, being the greater terme, and the Quotient is 4: so is 4 the least number of the three. When I multiply 6 by 3, whereof cometh 18, and that I divide by 2, and so have I 9 which is the greatest number of the three.

Master. Another way yet may you finde the third

third number in any Progression, if you have two of them : for if the middle number be one of them which you have, then multiply it by it self (as in this example, 6 by 6 maketh 36) and that totall divide by the other number which you have, and the third number will be the Quotient.

Scholar. Then I divide 36 (which cometh of 6 multiplied by it self) by 4 the Quotient will be 9 : and if I divide 36 by 9, the Quotient will be 4. But what if I know the first number, and the third, and would have the middle number ?

Note.

Master. Multiply the 2 numbers together, and in their totall you must seek the root of that number, and it shall be the middle number : but because as yet you have not learned to extract Roots, therefore use the first forme which I have taught you, till I teach you to extract Roots. And now go forwards with the answer to the same question.

Scholar. I perceibe then, that the Sonne must not have  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the goods, neither the Mother  $\frac{1}{3}$ , nor yet the Daughter  $\frac{1}{4}$ , but yet must the goods be divided into such proportion, that the Sonne shall have 9 Crownes for 6 to his Mother, and the Mother shall have 6 crownes for every 4 to her Daughter, When I apply it to the Golden Rule in three examples, as followeth,

Where the first number is the Addition of those three numbers 9, 6, 4 : and the third is one of them severally : the second is the totall of the goods in that Testament : and then by the worke of the Golden Rule, I finde out the fourth

19 Z 3600  
9 Z 3600  
19 Z 3600  
4 Z

number



number in every woꝛke : that  
 foꝛ the Sonne 1705  $\frac{1}{19}$ , foꝛ  
 the Mother 1136  $\frac{16}{19}$ , and foꝛ  
 the Daughter 757  $\frac{17}{19}$  : the  
 which summes added together,  
 doe make the summe of the  
 whole goods as may be seen by  
 this Example.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1705 \frac{1}{19} \\ 1136 \frac{16}{19} \\ 757 \frac{17}{19} \\ \hline 3600 \end{array}$$

And this (me thinketh) I doe perceiue, because  
 in this Case there is a necessary remed<sup>y</sup> devised  
 against an urgent inconuenience : therefore those  
 learned men thought they might use the like  
 liberty in that other question.

Master. Your queſſe is good, but they had so good  
 reason foꝛ them in the one, as they haue in the  
 other : As in another example of theirs, it may better  
 appeare, as in this.

A man left unto his three Sonnes 7851 crowns to  
 be parted in such sort, that the first Sonne should haue  
 $\frac{1}{3}$ , the second Sonne  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and the third Sonne  $\frac{1}{4}$ , which is  
 not possible : foꝛ  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  doe make  $\frac{26}{24}$ , or  $\frac{11}{12}$ , that  
 is,  $1 \frac{1}{12}$ , so it is more then the whole, but reduce these  
 Fractions into one denomination, the least that they  
 will come to, and they will be  $\frac{6}{12}$ ,  $\frac{4}{12}$ , and  $\frac{3}{12}$  and so may you  
 part the goods into such proportion as these 3 Nume-  
 rators beare together, that is, the first to haue 6  
 foꝛ every 4 to the second, and the second to haue 4 as  
 often as the third hath 3 : and so their portions will  
 be foꝛ the first, 3623  $\frac{2}{3}$ , foꝛ the second  
 2415  $\frac{2}{3}$ , & foꝛ the third 1811  $\frac{10}{3}$  : & these  
 3 shares added together, will make the to-  
 tall summe of the whole goods, as you may  
 easily see in this example.

Another  
 question  
 of a Testa-  
 ment.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3623 \frac{2}{3} \\ 2415 \frac{2}{3} \\ 1811 \frac{10}{3} \\ \hline 7851 \end{array}$$

Another

Another  
like ques-  
tion.

Another question is there proposed thus.

There are 450 crownes to bee divided betweene three men, so that the first man must have  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$ , the second man  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; the third man shall have  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{5}$ .

Scholar. I marvel that any man should be so overseen, to propose that question as a thing possible, sith  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{5}$ , doe make  $1\frac{12}{13}$ , that is almost double the whole summe.



But I perceiue it might be thus proposed: that as often as the first man did receiue 50 crownes, so often the second man should receiue 35, and the third man 27: for  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  is equall to  $\frac{5}{6}$ : and so is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  equall to  $\frac{7}{12}$ , and  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{5}$  is  $\frac{9}{20}$ . and so working the question the three figures will appear in this forme: whereby the first mans portion is found to be  $200\frac{5}{6}$ : the second mans part is  $140\frac{5}{6}$ : the third mans share  $108\frac{27}{32}$ : which in the whole doth make 450 crownes to be diuided between them.

Master. And thus you are (I thinke) sufficiently instructed in the Rule of Fellowship.


|     |   |                    |
|-----|---|--------------------|
| 112 | Z | 450                |
| 50  | Z | $200\frac{5}{6}$   |
| 112 | Z | 450                |
| 35  | Z | $140\frac{5}{6}$   |
| 112 | Z | 450                |
| 27  | Z | $108\frac{27}{32}$ |

# The Rule of Alligation.

**N**ow will I goe in hand with the Rule of <sup>The rule</sup> Alligation; which hath his name, for <sup>of Mixture</sup> that by it there are divers parcells of sundry prices, and sundry quantities alligate, bound or mixed together: whereby also it might bee well called the Rule of Mixture; and it hath great use in composition of Medicines, and also in mixtures of Metalls, and some use it hath in mixtures of Wines: but I wish it were lesse used therein then it is now a dayes. The order of this rule is this.

When any summes are proposed to bee mixed, set them in order one over another, and the common number (whereunto you will reduce them) <sup>The reason of this Rule.</sup> set on the left hand; then marke what summes bee lesser then that common number, and which bee greater, and with a draught of your penne evermore linke two numbers together, so that one bee lesser then the common number, and the other greater (for two greater or two smaller cannot well be linked together) and the reason is this, that one greater and one smaller, may be so mixed, that they will make the meane or common number very well: but two lesse can never make so many as the common number, being taken orderly: no more can two summes greater then the mean, ever make the mean in due order, as it shall appeare better to you hereafter. And as it is of necessity to linke every smaller (once at the least) with one greater, & every greater with one smaller, so it is at liberty to

to linke them oftner then once, and so may there be to one question many solutions. When you have so linked them, then marke how much each of the lesser numbers, is smaller then the mean or common number, and that difference set against the greater numbers, which be linked with those smaller, each with his match still on the right hand, and likewise the excesse of the greater numbers above the mean, you shall set before the lesser numbers which be combined with them.

 Then shall you (by Addition) bring all these differences into one summe, which shall be the first number in the Golden Rule, and the second number shall be the whole masse that you will have of all those particulars: the third summe shall be each difference by it selfe, and then by them shall be found the fourth number, declaring the just portion of every particular in that mixture: As now by these Examples I will make it plaine.

**Aquestion** *There are foure sorts of Wine, of severall prices of mixing one of 6 pence a gallon, another of 8 pence, the third of 11 pence, and the fourth of 15 pence the gallon, Of all these Wines would I have a mixture made to the summe of fifty gallons, and so the price of each gallon may be 9 pence. Now demand I, how much must be taken of every sort of Wine?*

**Scholar.** If it shall please you to worke the first example, that I may marke the applying of it to the Rule: then I trust I shall bee able not onely to doe the like, but also to see the reason in the order of the worke.

Master. Marke then this forme, and the placing of every kinde of number in it.

| The Prices<br>severall. |    | The<br>diff-<br>rences: |   |    |                   |
|-------------------------|----|-------------------------|---|----|-------------------|
| The common price        | 6  | 6                       | A | 12 | Z 50              |
|                         | 8  | 2                       | B | 6  | Z 25              |
|                         |    |                         |   | C  |                   |
|                         | 11 |                         |   | 11 | Z 50              |
|                         | 15 | 1                       | C | 1  | Z 4 $\frac{1}{6}$ |
|                         |    | 3                       | D |    |                   |
|                         |    | 12                      |   |    |                   |

|    |                    |
|----|--------------------|
| 12 | Z 50               |
| 2  | Z 8 $\frac{1}{3}$  |
|    | D                  |
| 12 | Z 50               |
| 3  | Z 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ |

Here (you see) I have set downe the severall prices, which be 6, 8, 11, 15, and have linked together 6 with 15, and 8, with 11. The common price 9, I have set on the left side, and the difference between it, and every particular price I have set on the right hand, not against the summe (whose difference it is) but against the summe that it is linked withall, so the difference of 15 above 9, is 6, which I have set, not against 15 but 6, that is linked with 15, & the difference between 6 & 9 (that is 3) I have set against 15. So likewise the difference between 8 and 9 is but 1, that I have set against 11; and the difference of 11 above 9 (which is 2) I have set against 8. Then adde all those foure differences, and they make 12, which I set for the first number in the Golden Rule: the second number I make 50, which is the summe of

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of this rule

of Gallons that I should have, and the third summe  
to every particular difference. Now if you worke  
by the Golden Rule, you shall finde the number of  
Gallons that shall be taken of each sort of wine: For  
the better distinction whereof I have set these  
Letters, A, B, C, D, both against the Numbers for  
which the workes doe serve, and over the worke  
also, which severally serve for each of them. And  
now (if you list to examine the truth of these  
workes) adde these foure summes together, and  
they will make 50, that is the totall which I  
would have, as by this example you may easily  
perceive. And (for to prove how the prices  
doe agree) doe this: Multiply the totall  
summe 50, by the common price 9, and it  
will make 450: then keepe that summe by  
it selfe, and afterward multiply every seve-  
rall summe of Gallons, by the price belonging  
to the same Gallons, and if that summe doe agree  
with this, which you have kept first, then is  
your worke well done. As here 25 is the num-  
ber of Gallons of 6 pence price, multiply then  
25 by six, and it maketh 150, which you shall set  
downe, then multiply  $8\frac{1}{2}$  by 8, which is the  
price for the number of Gallons, and it  
will make  $66\frac{1}{2}$ : so againe  $4\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied  
by 11, doth make  $45\frac{1}{2}$ . And last of  
all,  $12\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied by 15, maketh  
187  $\frac{1}{2}$ : and these added together doe  
make 450, as in the example annexed you may see,  
wherefore seeing it doth agree with the former  
summe of 50, multiplied by 9, I may justly  
affirme this worke to be good, and well done.

And



And now to prove how you can doe the like: I pre- The varia-  
 pound the same Question, onely willing you to use tion of this  
 some other forme of combining or linking the summe. question.

Scholar. That shall I prove with your favour,  
 and therefore I combine 8 with 15, and 6 with 11,  
 and then the form will be as followeth.

|                                                                     |                                                                 |    |                   |    |                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------|----|------------------|
| $\left. \begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 8 \\ 11 \\ 15 \end{array} \right\} 9$ | $\left. \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 6 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{array} \right\}$ | A  |                   | B  |                  |
|                                                                     |                                                                 | 12 | Z 50              | 12 | Z 50             |
|                                                                     |                                                                 | 2  | Z $8\frac{1}{2}$  | 6  | Z 25             |
|                                                                     |                                                                 | C  |                   | D  |                  |
|                                                                     |                                                                 | 12 | Z 50              | 12 | Z 50             |
|                                                                     |                                                                 | 3  | Z $12\frac{1}{2}$ | 1  | Z $4\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 12                                                                  |                                                                 |    |                   |    |                  |

Whereby amounteth the same summe in totall  
 of the differences as did before : and yet now the  
 differences be altered as the combination is chang-  
 ed, whereof I understand the reason by your for-  
 mer worke. And therefore here appeareth no  
 strange thing, but that now I have  $8\frac{1}{2}$  gal- 50  
 lons of 6 pence, and 25 gallons of 8 pence, 200  
 and 12 gallons and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 11 pence, and so 137  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 consequently 4 gallons and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 15 pence : 62  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 so that multiplying  $8\frac{1}{2}$  by 6, it maketh —  
 50, and then 25 multiplied by 8, maketh 450  
 200: likewise 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied by 11 yeld 137  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  
 and 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied by 15, maketh 62  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which 4  
 summes added into one, will yeld in the totall  
 450, which agreeth with the multiplication of  
 50 (being the totall summe of Gallons) by 9 the  
 common or mean price.

Master. Seeing you conceive this worke so  
 well

well, I will propound another example unto you of more variety in the Alligations or combinings, as thus.

*A Merchant being minded to make a bargain for spices, in a wixt masse (that is to say) of Cloves, Nutmegs, Saffron, Pepper, Ginger, and Almonds: the Cloves being at 6 shillings, Saffron at 10 shillings, Pepper at 3 shillings, Ginger at 2 shillings, and Almonds at 1 shilling.*

Now would he have of each sort some, to the value of 300 pound in the whole, and each pound one with another to bear in price five shillings: *How much shall he have of each sort?*

Scholar. That will I try thus.

First I set downe those 6 severall prices, and at the left hand I set the common price five shillings. When I linke them thus, one with 10, two with 6, and 3 with 8: as in the example following.

|     |    |   |  |     |     |    |                 |                 |    |                 |                 |
|-----|----|---|--|-----|-----|----|-----------------|-----------------|----|-----------------|-----------------|
| 5 { | 1  | ) |  | 5 a | 18  | Z  | 300             | 18              | Z  | 300             |                 |
|     | 2  |   |  |     | 5   | Z  | $83\frac{1}{3}$ | 3               | Z  | 50              |                 |
|     | 3  |   |  |     | 1 b |    | b               |                 | e  |                 |                 |
|     | 6  |   |  |     | 5 c | 18 | Z               | 300             | 18 | Z               | 300             |
|     | 8  |   |  |     | 3 d | 1  | Z               | $16\frac{2}{3}$ | 2  | Z               | $33\frac{1}{3}$ |
|     | 10 |   |  |     | 2 e |    | c               |                 | f  |                 |                 |
|     |    |   |  | 4 f | 18  | Z  | 300             | 18              | Z  | 300             |                 |
|     |    |   |  | 18  | 3   | Z  | 50              | 4               | Z  | $66\frac{2}{3}$ |                 |

Master. I had minded to have combined them in more variety: but I am content to see your own

own work first, and then more varieties in combination may follow anon.

Scholar. When to continue as I began I seek the difference between 1 and 5, (which is 4) and that I set against 10, then against 1 I set 5, which is the excess of 10 above 5, so I gather the difference between 2 and 5, which is 3, and that I set against 6, because it is combined with 2, and likewise the difference of 6 above 5 (which is 1) I set against 2. When take I the difference of 3 from 5, which is 2, and that I set against 3: and before that 3, I set the difference of 8 above 5, which is three. When gather I all these differences by Addition, and they make 18, which I set for my first Number in the Golden Rule, and so appeareth by those workes, that of Almonds I must take  $83\frac{1}{3}$  pound, of Ginger  $16\frac{2}{3}$  pound, Pepper 50 pounds, of Cloves 50 pound, of Nutmegs  $33\frac{1}{3}$  pound, and of Saffron  $66\frac{2}{3}$  pounds.

When for trial hereof, I multiply every parcell by his severall price, as  $83\frac{1}{3}$  which is the summe of Almonds, I multiply by one which is their price.

|       |               |
|-------|---------------|
| 83    | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 33    | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 50    |               |
| 300   |               |
| 266   | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| 666   | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| <hr/> |               |
| 1500  |               |

Also  $16\frac{2}{3}$  the summe of Ginger, I multiply by two, which is the price of it: and so each other in his kinde, as this Table annexed doth represent, and then adding them all together I finde the totall to be 1500, which also will amount by the multiplication of the grosse masse of 300, by the common price 5, wherefore it appeareth well wrought.

Master. Now I will make the alligation to prove your cunning somewhat better : but because you shall not thinke your selfe pressed too much, I will also note the differences, as by this Example you may see, where I have alligated 1 with 6

|   |    | A   |   | D  |                     |
|---|----|-----|---|----|---------------------|
| 5 | 1  | 1.3 | 4 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 2  | 3.5 | 8 | 4  | Z 36 $\frac{4}{11}$ |
|   | 3  | 5   | 5 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 6  | 4   | 4 | 8  | Z 72 $\frac{2}{11}$ |
|   | 8  | 4.3 | 7 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 10 | 3.2 | 5 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   |    | 3 3 | 5 | 5  | Z 45 $\frac{1}{11}$ |
|   |    | B   |   | E  |                     |
| 5 | 1  | 1.3 | 4 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 2  | 3.5 | 8 | 4  | Z 36 $\frac{4}{11}$ |
|   | 3  | 5   | 5 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 6  | 4   | 4 | 8  | Z 72 $\frac{2}{11}$ |
|   | 8  | 4.3 | 7 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   | 10 | 3.2 | 5 | 33 | Z 300               |
|   |    | 3 3 | 5 | 5  | Z 45 $\frac{1}{11}$ |

and 8, and therefore have I set against 1 both their differences, that is 1 and 3 : Likewise, because 2 is combined with 8 and 10, I set before him their differences, 3 and 5. Against 3 I have set onely 5, which is the difference of 10 with whom 3 is combined onely. Likewise 6 is onely alligate to 1, and therefore is the difference of 1 from 5, which is 4, onely set against it : 8 is linked with 1 and 2, and therefore hath set against him, both their differences, 4 and 3 : and 10 is joyned with 2 and 3, therefore hath he their differences, 3 and 2. And because of ease for you, in another columnne I have set the differences reduced into one number, for every severall sort, and have also added them together whereby appeareth that they make 33, & so consequently you see the works of the Golden Rule set forth. For the six Drugges

I have added the letters A. B. C. &c. as before.

But I would not wish you to cleave still to Note.  
these Elementary aides, but accustom Memory to  
trust her self: so shall occasion of negligence best be  
avoyded. And as for the proof try it at more  
leisure, because the time now is short, and you  
sufficiently instructed in that proof. And there  
resteth divers things behinde yet, of which I  
would gladly give you some taste, before your de-  
parture.


Scholar. But if it may please you to let mee see  
all the variations of this question, before you goe  
from it, for methinketh I could vary it two or  
three wayes more yet.

Master. I am content to see you make two or  
three variations: but I would be loth to stay to see  
all the variations: for it may be varied above 300  
wayes, although many of them would not well  
serve to this purpose.

Scholar. I thought it impossible to make so  
many variations.

Master. I darrell not thereat, for some questions Note.  
of this Rule, may be varied above 1000 wayes;  
but I would have you forget such fantasies till a  
time of more leisure. And now goe forward  
with some variation of this question.

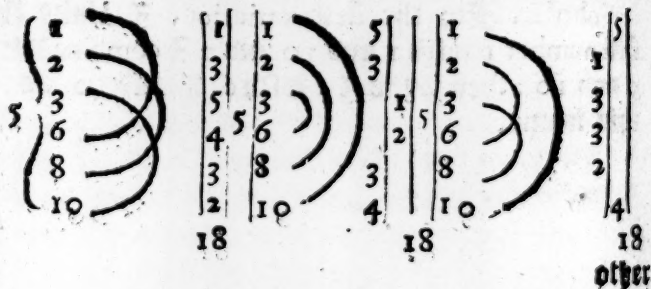
Scholar. For the first variation, I link the  
first number 1 with 1 and 10, and 2 I combine with  
9 and 10: then joyn 3 with 6, 8, and 10, as in  
this forme,

|                                                                                   |                             |                             |                             |                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
|  | A                           |                             | D                           |                                |
|                                                                                   | 43                          | $\frac{8}{55\frac{35}{43}}$ | 43                          | $\frac{8}{34\frac{11}{43}}$    |
|                                                                                   | 3.5                         | 8                           | 5                           | 34 $\frac{11}{43}$             |
|                                                                                   | B                           |                             | E                           |                                |
|                                                                                   | 1.5                         | 6                           |                             |                                |
|                                                                                   | 1.35                        | 9                           | 43                          | $\frac{8}{41\frac{37}{35}}$    |
|                                                                                   | 3.2                         | 5                           | 6                           | 43 $\frac{8}{41\frac{37}{35}}$ |
|                                                                                   | 4.2                         | 6                           |                             |                                |
|                                                                                   | 4.32                        | 9                           | 43                          |                                |
|                                                                                   | C                           |                             | F                           |                                |
| 43                                                                                | $\frac{8}{62\frac{34}{43}}$ | 43                          | $\frac{8}{62\frac{34}{43}}$ |                                |
| 43                                                                                | 9                           | 9                           | $\frac{8}{62\frac{34}{43}}$ |                                |

And so both there appeare the proportion of weight for every kinds of Drugges in this mixture. Now for the tryall.

Master. Say stay there: you shall not need to make tryall in one example so often, or if you list to doe it by your selfe, I am content. But now set forth (for declaration that you conceive the Rule) two or three examples of severall Combinations, and then will we passe to some other example, and so end this Rule.

Scholar. As it pleaseth you, so will I doe. And these be the varieties: in which as the combinations are severall, so doth it plainly appeare, that the differences by which the proportion of each severall kinde is taken are also severall. And yet I see in the three first of these five varieties, and in the one





|    |  |         |    |  |     |   |
|----|--|---------|----|--|-----|---|
| 1  |  | 1.3.5.9 | 1  |  | 1.3 | 4 |
| 2  |  | 5.3     | 2  |  | 4.5 | 9 |
| 3  |  | 5       | 3  |  | 3   | 3 |
| 6  |  | 4       | 6  |  | 4.3 | 7 |
| 8  |  | 4.3     | 8  |  | 4.5 | 9 |
| 10 |  | 4.3     | 10 |  | 3   | 3 |
|    |  | 42      |    |  | 35  |   |

other before, the totall summe of the differences to be one, that is to say, 18, whereby I perceiue that the variety of their mixture doth depend on the variety of their differences severall, and not of the variety of their totall summe.

Master. So is it. And seeing you conceiue it so well, I will make an end of this Rule, onely exhibiting unto you one Question or two of the mixture of Metals, that by it you may devise others like, and exercise your selfe therein also, because the use of it serueth often in businesse of charge, not so much for Goldsmiths, as of coynage in Mints. First, I demand of you this question: If a Mint-master have Gold of 22 Kareets, and some of 23 Kareets, some of 24: Again, some 15, some 16, and some of 18 Kareets, and would mix them, so that he might have 100 Ounces of 20 Kareets: How much must he take of each sort?

Scholar. To know that, I answer in order thus:

|    |   |    |   |     |    |   |     |
|----|---|----|---|-----|----|---|-----|
| 15 | 2 | 10 | Z | 100 | 20 | Z | 100 |
| 16 | 3 | 2  | Z | 10  | 5  | Z | 25  |
| 18 | 4 | 20 | Z | 100 | 20 | Z | 100 |
| 22 | 5 | 3  | Z | 15  | 4  | Z | 20  |
| 23 | 4 | 20 | Z | 100 | 20 | Z | 100 |
| 24 | 2 | 4  | Z | 20  | 2  | Z | 10  |

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Master

Master. You have wrought the question well, but how chanced you made no doubt of that new name Karect.

Scholar. Because I thought it out of time to demand such questions now seeing you make so much hast to end : and againe in this case the proportion of the number is sufficient for my purpose in this worke, trusting that another time you will instruct me as well of this, as of sundry other things, which as I have heard you talke of, so I have a great desire to them.

Ma<sup>st</sup>. Your answer is reasonable, and your request and trust (with Gods helpe) I intend to satisfie, & now to go forward with this matter, let me see your examination of this last work.

Scholar. First for the one part I adde together all the particular sums, as they appeare in the worke, and they make 100, as here by their Addition doth appeare.

And so it seemeth that the sums are well gathered: but for the further triall of them I multiply first which is the common or meane sum of the Karects by 100, which is the sum of the whole Masse, which I would have, and it maketh 2000. Then I multiply every particular sum by the Karects, that it doth contain, as 10 by 15, and that maketh 150.

— Likewise I multiply 15 by 16, and it yeldeth 240: so 20 by 18, maketh 360. And 25 by 22, yeldeth 550: likewise 20 by 23, byngeth forth 460: and last of all, 10 multiplied by 24, yeldeth 240: which summes all joyned together make 2000, that doth agree with the like summe before

before, wherefore I may well say, that the worke is good. And now (if it please you) I would set forth some varieties of this question ) to prove my wit.

Master. Goe to, let me see.

Scholar. Here be foure varieties,

|                                                                                                                 |                                                                                             |                                                                                                                 |                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\begin{array}{l} 15 \\ 16 \\ 18 \\ 20 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 22 \\ 23 \\ 24 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r l} 3.4 & 7 \\ 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 5.4 & 9 \\ 5 & 5 \end{array}$     | $\begin{array}{l} 15 \\ 16 \\ 18 \\ 20 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 22 \\ 23 \\ 24 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r l} 2.3 & 5 \\ 3.4 & 7 \\ 4 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 5.4 & 9 \\ 4.2 & 6 \end{array}$  |
| 28                                                                                                              |                                                                                             | 36                                                                                                              |                                                                                              |
| $\begin{array}{l} 15 \\ 16 \\ 18 \\ 20 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 22 \\ 23 \\ 24 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r l} 2.3.4 & 9 \\ 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 5.2 & 7 \\ 5.4 & 9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l} 15 \\ 16 \\ 18 \\ 20 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 22 \\ 23 \\ 24 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r l} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \\ 2.3.4 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 5.4.2 & 11 \end{array}$ |
| 36                                                                                                              |                                                                                             | 32                                                                                                              |                                                                                              |

And moze yet could I make, but not like to the number that you speak of in the variation of the other question.

Master. What will I teach you at moze leasure, seeing it is a thing rather of pleasure then of any necessity.

But now for your exercise in this Rule, one other Aquestion of mixing of silver.  
 question I will propose. A Mint-master hath six Ingots of silver, of sundry finenesse, some of four Ounces fine, and some of five Ounces, some of six, and other of eight, some of 11, and other of 12, and his desire is to mixe 500 pounds weight, so that in the whole mass every

every pound weight should beare 9 Ounces of fine silver: How much shall he take say you of every sort of silver?

Scholar. To finde out that, I set the numbers thus in order.

And gathering the differences it will appeare, that, of the first sort there must be  $43\frac{1}{23}$  of the second like much: of the third sort  $65\frac{1}{23}$ : and of the fourth sort as much: of the fifth sort  $195\frac{15}{23}$  and of the sixth sort  $86\frac{28}{23}$ , which in the whole will make 500 pound weight, and in ounces after 9 ounces fine 4500, that is of the first sort  $173\frac{21}{23}$ , and of the second sort  $217\frac{2}{23}$ , of the third sort  $391\frac{1}{23}$ , of the fourth sort  $521\frac{17}{23}$ , of the fifth sort,  $2152\frac{4}{23}$ , and of the sixth sort  $1043\frac{11}{23}$ , which all together doe make 4500 ounces, agreeable to the multiplication of 9 by 500.

Master. This is well done of you, therefore now make three or foure varieties, and so an end of this Rule.

Scholar. These four varieties I set for examples.

|    |         |    |    |         |    |
|----|---------|----|----|---------|----|
| 4  | 3       | 3  | 4  | 2, 3    | 5  |
| 5  | 3       | 3  | 5  | 2       | 2  |
| 6  | 3       | 3  | 6  | 2       | 2  |
| 8  | 2       | 2  | 8  | 2       | 2  |
| 11 | 1       | 1  | 11 | 5.4.3.1 | 13 |
| 12 | 54.3.12 | 12 | 12 | 5       | 5  |
|    | 24      |    |    | 29      |    |

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|----|-------|---|----|---------|----|
| 4  | 23    | 5 | 4  | 3       | 3  |
| 5  | 3     | 3 | 5  | 3       | 3  |
| 6  | 2     | 2 | 6  | 2.3     | 5  |
| 8  | 2     | 2 | 8  | 2.3     | 5  |
| 11 | 5.3.1 | 9 | 11 | 3.1     | 4  |
| 12 | 5.4   | 9 | 12 | 5.4.3.1 | 13 |
| 30 |       |   | 33 |         |    |

Master. And by these it appeareth, that you can  
 finde out more, with which I will not now meddle,  
 save onely (for to shew you an easie help drawing  
 the lines of Combination) I will set forth 2 varieties  
 here.

|    |       |    |    |         |    |
|----|-------|----|----|---------|----|
| 4  | 2     | 2  | 4  | 3       | 3  |
| 5  | 2.3   | 5  | 5  | 2.3     | 5  |
| 6  | 3.2   | 5  | 6  | 2.3     | 5  |
| 8  | 3     | 3  | 8  | 2.2     | 5  |
| 11 | 5.4.3 | 12 | 11 | 4.3     | 8  |
| 12 | 4.3.1 | 8  | 12 | 5.4.2.1 | 12 |
| 35 |       |    | 38 |         |    |

And this shall suffice now for the Rule of  
 Alligation or mixture : for by these examples may  
 you easily conjecture such other as do appertain  
 to it, as well for the due working, as for variety  
 of drawing the lines of Combination.

Scholar. Sir, albeit it pleased you erewhile to  
 put me from my musing at the many varieties that  
 may fall in these Combinations, and termed them  
 phantasies, yet my phantasie giveth me, that the  
 consideration of this should in many other exam-  
 ples and cases of importance be very needfull, and  
 the knowledge of it most profitable : Wherefore ye  
 may well think, that at another time convenient

I will request you to aid me herein.

Master. Truth it is, that this consideration may fall in practice as well Politick as Philosophicall, and sundry waies in them be applyed: Therefore when time shall call sit, for the discussing of this consideration, you shall not want my helping hand.

## The Rule of Falshood.

The occasion of the name.



Now will I briefly also teach you the Rule of Falshood, which beareth his name, not for that it teacheth any fraud or falshood, but for that by false numbers taken at all adventures, it teacheth how to finde those true numbers you seek for.

Scholar. So might any other Rule be called the Rule of Falshood, for they worke by wrong numbers, and by them finde out the right numbers: so doth the Rule of Alligation, the Rule of Fellowship, and the Golden Rule, partly.

Master. In the Golden Rule, the Rule of Fellowship, & the Rule of Alligation, although the numbers that you worke by, be not the true numbers that you seek for, yet are they numbers in just proportion, and are found by orderly worke, whereas in this Rule the numbers are not taken in any proportion, nor found by orderly worke, but taken at all adventures.

And therefore I sometimes being merry with my friends, and talking of such questions, do call unto them such Children or idiots, as hapned to be in the place, and so take their answer, declaring that



that I would make them solve those questions, that seemed to doubtfull.

And indeed I did answer to the question, and worke the Trill thereof also by those answers which they happened at all adventures to make : which numbers seeing they bee taken as manifest false, therefore is this Rule called the Rule of false Positions, and so; by testnesse, The Rule of Falshood : which Rule so; readinesse of remembrance, I have compassed in the few verses following, in so; of an obscure Riddle.

*Ghesse at this worke as hap doth lead,  
By chance to truth you may proceed,  
And first worke by the question,  
Although no truth therein be done.  
Such falshood is so good a ground,  
That truth by it will soon be found.  
From many bate too many moe,  
From too few take too few also :  
With too much joyn too few again :  
To too few adde too many plain :  
In crosse wise multiply contrary kinde,  
And all truth by falshood for to finde.*

The sense of these Verses, and the summe of this Rule is this.

When any question is proposed appertaining to this Rule, first imagine any number that you list, which you shall name the *first position*, and put it in stead of the true number, and then worke with it as the question importeth : and if you have missed, then is the last number of that worke either too great or too little : that shall you note as here after shall be taught

The exposition of the Rule.

taught you, and you shall call it the *first error*.

Then begin againe, and take another number, which shall be called the *second position*, and worke by the *question*: if you have missed againe, note the *excesse* or *default* as it is, and call that the *second error*. Then multiply crosse-wise the *first position* by the *second error*, and againe, the *second position* by the *first error*, and note their totalls severally by the names of totalls: Then marke whether the two errors were both alike, that is to say, both too much, or both too little: or whether they be unlike, that is, the one too much, and the other too little: for if they be like, then shall you *subtract* the one totall from the other (I mean the lesser from the greater) and the remainder shall be your *dividend*: so must you abate the lesser error out of the greater, and the residue shall be the *divisor*. Now divide the *dividend* by that *divisor*, and the *quotient* will shew you the true number that you seek for. But and if the errors be unlike, then must you adde both those totalls (which you noted) together, and take that whole number for the *dividend*, so shall you adde both errors together, and that whole number shall be the *divisor*, and the *quotient* of that division shall give you the true number that the *question* seeketh for, and this is the whole Rule.

Scholar. This Rule seemeth to unlike any other, that without some example I shall not easily understand it.

Master. With a good will: propose halfe a score sundry questions and examples of variety, for the better understanding of the worke hereof: and for the first take this example. A mason

was

was bound to build a wall in 40 dayes, and it was covenanted so with him, that every day that he wrought, he should have for his wages 2 shillings 1 peny, and every day that he wrought not, he should be amerced 2 shillings 6 pence, so that when the wall was made and the reckoning taken of the dayes that he wrought, and of the other that he wrought not, the Mason had clearly but five shillings five pence for the worke. Now do I demand how many dayes he did work of those 40, and how many he did not worke.

Scholar. I pray you expresse the order of the worke, that I may partly be imitation, and partly by comparing it with the Rule, be able again to doe the like.

Master. This order shall you keepe in the worke of this Rule: first take some number (as you list) at adventure; as for example, I say he played 12 dayes, and wrought 28 dayes. Now cast you the wages of every day and see whether it will agree with the summe of 5 shillings 5 pence.

Scholar. The 28 dayes that he wrought after 25 pence the day, yeldeth 700 pence: When 12 dayes that he wrought not, at 30 pence each day, doth amount to 360 pence, which if I abate out of 700 pence, there resteth 340: but you say he had not so much.

Master. He had but 65 pence, and by this supposition he should have had 340: therefore is this summe too much by 275, which summe I must set down after this sort as you see here, where first I have made a crosse (commonly called S. Andrews crosse) and

12  
X  
275†  
at

at the ober corner on the left hand I haue set the first position 12: and at the other corner under it I haue set 275 which is the first error, with this figure †, which betokeneth too much, as this line  
 ——— plaine without a crosse line betokeneth too little.

On the right hand of the crosse I haue left two like roomes for the second position and his error. Wherefore to prosecute the worke, I suppose he played 16 dayes, and wrought 24.

Scholar. I was a while in doubt why you named the dayes of his working, seeing they be not set in the figure: and I doubted how you knew them, or else whether you did suppose them at all adventures, as you did the dayes that he played: but now I gather that seeing 40 dayes is the whole time limited, then the dayes that he played being supposed, the rest of 40 must needs be the dayes that he wrought, and therefore 28 followed 12 of necessity, and 24 followeth 16 also of necessity, but yet I scarce perceiue why you set not in the figures as well 28 as 12.

Master. It forceth not which of them I take, so that in the second position I take the numbers of the same nature that is here both of working dayes, or both of idle, but now examine you this second position:

Scholar. If he played 16 dayes, then abating 16 times 30 pence, the sum will be 480 pence, and for 24 dayes that he wrought, every day yielding 25 pence, the totall is 600 pence: so that abating 480 out of 600, there resteth 120, and as you say, it should be but 65: therefore it is too much by 55: that

that must be set on the right hand of the figure, at the neather part, and over it on the same side 16, which is the second position, thus.

And as I gather by your words, it were all one if I did set 28 in stead of 12, and 24 in stead of 16.

Master. So were it. But this shall you marke, that, of what nature soever the two positions be, of the same nature is the quotient. Therefore when the positions in this question are 12 and 16, which both being numbers of the playing dayes, the quotient shall declare the true number of playing dayes: whereas if the positions had been 28 and 24, which are supposed to be the working dayes, then would the quotient declare the true number of the working dayes, and not of playing dayes, as it will doe now. And therefore to continue the work of this question, and to finde the true number of playing dayes, I must multiply crosse-wise the first position by 55 that is the second error, and the totall will be 660. Then I multiply 275 and 16, and it yeeldeth 4400. Now because the errors are alike, that is to say, both too much, I must subtract 660 out of 4400, and so remaineth 3740, which is the dividend. Again I must subtract the lesser error 55 out of 275, that is the greater error, and there will remaine 220 which will be the divisor: then dividing 3740 by 220 the quotient will be 17. Therefore I say now constantly, that 17 is the true number of dayes that the Mason played: and then it followeth that he wrought 23 dayes: and so is the question answered.

Now for the order of triall of this work, there need- The proof  
eth none other triall but only this, to worke with this of this rule  
number

*number according to the question, and if it agree, then appeareth the number to be that you would have.*

And here now seeing he wrought 23 dayes, and must have for every day 25 pence, the whole summe cometh to 575. Then again, seeing he played 17 dayes and must abate 30 pence for every day, the whole sum of the abatement will be 510. Therefore I subtract 510 out of 575, and there will remaine 65, which maketh 5 shilling 5 pence, the cleere wages of the Mason for his worke according to the question.

Scholar. Now I trust I understand the worke and the Rule so well (and the better by this proof) that I can be able to doe the like: And for a proof, I take the same question, all save the last number, where I will suppose that he had 10 shillings for his wages cleere. And now to guesse of the number of the dayes he wrought, I suppose first that he wrought 20 dayes: then say I if he wrought 20 dayes, his wages must be 500 d. then did he play other 20 dayes, for which must be abated 600 d. and then he loseth 100 d. And so am I at a stay, for it is not like to your former worke.

Master. You should have required of me some question, and not have taken a question of your owne phantasying, untill you were more expert in this Art, for so might you as well happen to an impossible question, as on a possible: but now to go forward, consider that this number is too little by 220, seeing he should gain by your supposition 120 pence, and in this position he loseth 100, those both make 220, which you shall set downe for the first error, with this signe—, betokening too little,




as here in this forme following both ap- 20  
peare.

And now for the rest goe forward your  
selfe once againe. — 220



Scholar. As my errorr hath uttered my folly, so  
it hath procured me better understanding.

Now therefore considering this position not to  
solve the question, I take another, supposing that he  
wrought 30 dayes. When for his wages he must  
be allowed 750 pence, and for the 10 dayes which  
he wrought not, he must abate 300 pence, and so  
remaineth cleer 450 pence, but it should be onely  
120 pence, therefore it is too much by 330, which  
I set downe in the figure with the former position  
and his errorr, and the figure appeareth thus :

Now first, I multiply in crosse 20 30  
wayes 10 by 330, and it will be  
6600. 

When again I multiply 30 by — 220- 330  
220, and it will be also 6600. Wherefore if I  
shall subtract the one out of the other, there will  
remain nothing to be the Dividend.

Master. In this you forget your selfe again,  
for in as much as the signes in the errorrs be  
unlike, therefore must you worke by Addition, ad-  
ding together those two totalls to make the Divi-  
dend, and also adding the two errorrs to make the  
Divisor. And because you shall no more forget  
this part of that Rule, take this brief remembrance.

*Unlike require Addition ;*

*And like desire Subtraction.*

Scholar. You mean, that if the errorrs have like  
signes, then must the Dividend, and the Divisor

bee made by Subtraction, as is taught before: And if those signes bee unlike (as in this last example they bee) then must I by Addition gather the dividend and the divisor. Wherefore must I adde 6600 to 6600, and it will bee 13200, which will be the dividend. Then againe I adde 220 to 330 and it will be 550, which must be the divisor: wherefore dividing 13200 by 550, the quotient will be 24, whereby I know that the Mason wrought 24 dayes, and then it followed, that he played 16 dayes.

Master. Examine your worke, whether it be agreeable to the question or no.

Scholar. For 24 dayes worke the wages must be 600 pence, and for 16 dayes which the Mason wrought not, there must be abated 480 pence, and then remaineth cleare to the Mason 120, as the question importeth: wherefore it is evident that 24 is the true number of dayes that he wrought.

Master. Although you seem now to understand this worke, yet to acquaint your minde the better with the new Trade of this Rule, I think it good to propose to you 5 or 6 examples more before I make an end of it.

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you that you doe so consider my commodity and profit in knowledge, for undoubtedly it is practice and exercise that maketh men prompt & expert in every kinde of knowledge.

Master. You say well, so that they follow some certain precepts to governe and rule their practice by, else may practice procure custome of error, and a repugnance to exactnesse of knowledge: namely, as long as the error is not plainly known to the vulgar sort. But return to your work.

*There*

There is a servant that hath bought of Velvet and Damask for his Master 40 yards, the Velvet at 20 shillings a yard, and the Damask at 12 shillings, and when he cometh home, his Master demandeth of him, how much he hath bought of each sort : I cannot tell (saith he) exactly : but this I know that I paid for Damask 48 shillings more then I paid for Velvet: now must you guesse how many yards there is of each sort.

Scholar. Although the guesse seemeth difficult, yet I wil probe what I can doe : for I remember your saying, that it forceth not how fond or false the guesse bee, so it be somewhat to the question, and not an answer of a contrary matter.

Therefore first I imagine that he bought 20 yards of damask, for which hee should pay after the former price 240 shillings: then must he needs have of Velvet other 20 yards, (to make up the 40 yards) and that would cost 240 shillings. So that the totall of the price of the Damask is lesse then the summe paid for Velvet 160 shillings, and should be more by 48. Therefore the first error is 208 too little. Then begin I againe, and suppose he bought of Damask 30 yards, that cost 360 shillings, then had he but 10 yards of Velvet, which cost 200 shillings: and now the price of the Damask is greater then the price of the Velvet by 160 shillings, and should be but 48, therefore is the second error 112 too much, which I set in forme of figure, as here both appears. Then do I multiply in crosse wayes 208 by 30, and the summe will be 6240. Also I multiply 112 by 20, and there wil amount 2240. And in as

$$\begin{array}{r}
 20 \quad 30 \\
 \times \\
 \hline
 208 - \quad 112 \dagger \\
 \text{much}
 \end{array}$$

much as the signes of the errors be unlike, I knowe I must worke by Addition, therefore adde I these two totalls together, and they make 8480, which is the Dividend: then adde I also the two errors together, 208, and 112, and they make 320, which is the Divisor: wherefore dividing 8480 by 320, the quotient will be  $26\frac{1}{2}$ , which is the true summe of yards of Damask that he bought, and in Velvet 13 yards  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and that appeareth by examination, thus:  $26\frac{1}{2}$  yards of Damask at 12 shillings the yard maketh 318 shillings: then in Velvet he had but 13 yards and  $\frac{1}{2}$  and cost 270 shillings, at 20 shillings the yard. Now subtract 270 out of 318, and there will remaine 48, which is the number of shillings that the Damask did cost more then the Velvet.

Master. Now shall you have a question of another kinde.

A question  
of debt,  
the third  
example.

*There are three men that do owe money to me, and I have forgotten what the totall summe is, and what the particulars be.*

Scholar. Why, then it is impossible to know the debt.

Master. Peace, you are too hasty, there is more help in it then yet you see, I have three severall notes, whereby it appeareth that I did conferre their debts together, and found the debt of the first & the second to amount to 47 pound the debt of the first man and the third man did make 71 pound, and the second man his debt with the third, did rise to 88 pound. Now can you tell what every man did owe, and what was the whole summe?

Scholar. Nay, in good faith, but as I perceibe that it must be found by confecture, so will I guesse  
at

at it supposing that the first man did owe 20 pound,  
and the second man 30, and the third.

Maſter. Nay ſtay there, you are too farre gone al-  
ready: you may not ſuppoſe a ſeverall ſumme for  
every man, for it is enough to ſuppoſe one ſumme  
for the firſt man, and let the other riſe as the que-  
ſtion impoſteth. Wherefore ſeing you ſet the firſt  
man his debt to bee 20 pound, the ſecond man can-  
not owe 30 pound, for the declaration is, that their  
debts added together did make 47 pound, ſo muſt  
the ſecond man his debt be but 27 pound. Now the  
ſecond debt with the third muſt make 88: there-  
fore ſubtract 27 out of 88, and there will remain  
61, as the third man his debt. Then ſaith the  
declaration, that the firſt and third mans debts do  
make 71: but by this ſuppoſition they make 81,  
that is 10 too much, which I muſt ſet for the firſt  
error. Now worke you the ſecond poſition.

Scholar. I ſuppoſe the firſt mans debt to be 24  
pound: then muſt the ſecond mans debt (by your  
declaration) be but 23 pound, ſeing both they  
make but 47 pound. And the ſecond man his  
debt with the third, doe make 88 pound, and the  
ſecond man oweth but 23: therefore the third man  
muſt owe 65 pound. Now the third mans debt with  
the firſt, ſhould make by the declaration 71 pound,  
and they doe make 89 pound, that is 18 pound too  
much, and that is the ſecond error, which I ſet  
down with the firſt, and their poſitions in this  
ſorme, and then I doe multiply in

20 24  
croſſe wayes 20 by 18, and it is 360.  
And 10 by 24 maketh 240. Alſo  
becauſe the ſignes of the errors be

10† 18†  
like,

like, I must worke by subtraction: therefore I subtract 240 out of 360, and there resteth 120, which is the Dividend: then do I subtract 10 out of 18 by the same reason, & so is the Divisor 8, which is found 15 times in 120: therefore I say that the first man did owe 15 li. and then the second man must owe 32 li. for those two doe make 47 li. and the third mans debt is 56: for so much remaineth if I abate 15 out of 71, or if I take 32 out of 88.

The  
fourth ex.  
ample.

Master. For the fourth example, take this easie question for the variety in work. Two men having severall summes, which I know not, doe thus talke together: the first saith to the second, if you give me 2 shillings of your money, then shall I have three times so much money as you. The second man answereth, It were more reason that our summes were made equall, and so will it be if you give mee 3 shillings of your money. Now gnesse what each of them had.

Note.

Scholar. I imagine that the first had 9 s.

Master. Consider evermoze in your imagination that you take a likely summe, as in this question, take such a summe, that having 2 added unto it, may be divided into three parts even.

Scholar. Why? I remember you said before, it forceth not how fondly soever I guessed.

Master. As for the possibilitie of the solution, it is truth: but for easinesse in worke, the aptest numbers are most convenient.

Scholar. I thought no lesse, and therefore I took 9 as an apt number to be parted into three: but I perceiveth I should have considered the aptnesse of that partition after the addition of two  
unto




unto it, and then 7 had been more met.

Master. That is truth, and then shoul'd the second man his summe be 5: for although he have now but the third part of 9, that is 3, yet you must remember that he lent the first man 2, & so had be 5.

Scholar. When to go forward: if the second man had three of the first man, then should he have 8 and the first man but 4; so hath he double to the first man, yet he said in the question they should have equall: wherefore it appeareth that he hath 4 too much.

Wherefore I note that errour with his supposition, and guesse again that he hath 10 shillings: whereunto I adde 2 shillings borrowed of the second man, and then he hath 12 shillings, so the second man hath remaining but 4, whereunto if I adde the 2 that he lent to the first man so had he but 6 shillings at the beginning.

When take 3 shillings from the first man, and give to the second, and then hath the first man but 7, & the second hath 9, which are not equall, but there are 2 too many,  wherefore I set down both the positions  $4\uparrow$   $2\uparrow$  with their errours, as before you see, and multiply a-crosse so commeth there 40 and 14: and because the signes be like, I take 14 out of 40, and so resteth 26 to be divid'd: then likewise I take 2, out of 4, and there resteth 2, by which I divide 26, and the quotient will be 13, which is the summe that the first man had. And so appeareth that 2 being added thereto; the summe will be 15, so hath the second man but 5, and before he had 7: then take 3 from the first, and put to this 7, and so have each

each of them 10, and that is equall as the question would.

**The fifth example :** Master. For the fifth example take this question : *One man said to another, I think you had this yeare two thousand Lambs : so had I said the other ; but what with paying the tythe of them, and then the severall losses, they are much abated : for at one time I lost halfe as many as I have now left, and at another time the third part of so many, and the third time  $\frac{1}{4}$  so many. Now guesse you how many are left.*

Scholar. Because here is mention made of certaine parts, I must take a number that may have all these parts, that is to say,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  which will be 24, howbeit 12 hath the same parts. Therefore I take first 12 to be the number that doth remaine, so hath he lost 6, 4, and 3 that is 13, and the whole 25. but it should be 2000.

Master. You are deceived yet still, you have forgotten the 10 part, which must be defalked, that is 200, so there remaineth but 1800, and now go on again.

Scholar. Then to finde the errour, I take 25 out of 1800, and there remaineth 1775 too few, which I set for the errour. Then for the second position I take 24, whose halfe is 12, the third part 8, and the quarter 6, whereby riseth 50, which is too little by 1750 therefore I set downe both the positions, with their errors thus :

And multiply in crosse  
 12                      24  
 1775 by 24. where:  
 of cometh 42600. Also I  
 multiply 1750 by 12, and —1775    1750—  
 there ariseth 21000. And because the signes are  
 like

like, I doe subtract the one from the other, and so remaineth the Dividend 216000. Then doe I subtract 1750 out of 1775, and there resteth 25, by which I divide 21600, and the quotient is 864, whereof the halfe 432, and the thirde part is 288, the quarter is 216; which all being added together, will make 1800: And if you adde thereto the tenth which was abated before, then 864 will the whole summe be 2000. 432

And now doth there come a question to my memory which was demanded of me, but I was not able to answer to it: And now me 288  
 I thinketh I could solve it. 216  
 1800

Master. Propose your question.

Scholar. There is supposed a Law made, that (for A question furthering of tillage) every man that doth keepe of sheep and tillage: sheep, shall for every ten sheep ear and sow one Acre of the sixth ground: and for his allowance in sheep pasture, there example. is appointed for every foure sheep one Acre of pasture. Now is there a rich Sheep-master which hath 7000 Acres of ground and would gladly keep as many as he might: by that Statute I demand how many sheep he shall keep.

Master. Answer to the question your self.

Scholar. First, I suppose hee may keep 500 sheep, and for them hee shall have in Pasture after the rate of four sheep to an Acre, 125 Acres, and in Arable ground 50 Acres, that is, 175 in all: but this errour is too little by 6825. Therefore I guess again that he may keep 1000 sheep, that is, in Pasture 250 Acres, and in tillage 100 Acres, which make 350, that is too little by 6650. Both these errours with their positions, I set down as you

you see, and multiply them crosse 6825 by 1000,  
 and it maketh 6825000, also I 500 1000  
 multiply 6650 by 500, and there  
 commeth 3325000, which summe  
 I subtract out of the former, and 6825-6650  
 there remaineth 350000 for the Dividend:  
 likewise I subtract the lesser error out of the greater,  
 and there resteth 175, by which I divide 350000  
 (the Dividend aforesaid) and the quotient will be  
 20000, so that by this rate he that hath 7000 Acres  
 of ground, may keep 20000 sheep.

Another  
 way of  
 working.

Master. You have done well, notwithstanding  
 both this last question, and the next before might  
 be wrought without the second position by the Rule  
 of proportion as this: When in this question you  
 found in the first error that for 500 sheep there  
 must be 175 Acres, then might 175 Z 500  
 you reduce it to the Golden 7000 Z 20000  
 Rule, thus:

If 175 Acres will admit in allowance 500 sheep,  
 then 7000 will have 2000. And so by one position,  
 with the help of the Golden Rule may you answer that  
 question.

Likewise for the question of Lambs, when you  
 had found that 12 came of 25, you might have set  
 the figure as followeth, and have said:

25 Z 12 If 25 do leave but 12, what  
 1800 Z 864 shall 1800 leave? and it would ap-  
 pear to be 864.

Scholar. Sir, I thanke you for this aid, for it  
 doth much shorten the worke of this Rule.

Master. Yet againe I will shew you another  
 way to answer to this last question without the Rule

of

Another  
 way yet.

of false position, and that by the Rule of Fellowship, for it appeareth in the proposing of the question, that ten sheep must have in pasture 2 Acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and for them must there be eared but one Acre; so it followeth, that for 2 Acres eared, there must be 5 set to pasture: and if you put them both into one summe, they will make 7. Therefore look what proportion 7 being this totall, both bear to 5 and to 2, such proportion shall any totall in this question beare to the pasture ground, and the eared ground.

Scholar. This serveth wondrous aply. Therefore to prove it, I demand this by the former supposition: If a man have 300 Acres, how much shall he leave in pasture, and how much shall he turne to tillage? You say that as 7 is to 5, so shall 300 be to the Acres of pasture: and as 7 is to 2, so is 300 to the Acres of tillage, whereof for both I have set examples here following,

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \quad 5 \\ 300 \quad Z \quad 214 \frac{2}{7} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \quad 2 \\ 300 \quad Z \quad 85 \frac{2}{7} \end{array}$$

Master. Now take another Example: A man hath three silver Cups with one Cover, the Cover weigheth 18 ounces, the second Cup weigheth even halfe the weight of the first and the third. Now if the Cover be put to the first Cup, they weigh just as much as all the three cups do weigh: & if the Cover be joyned with the second Cup, they weigh as much as the second twice, & the third: & if the Cover be put to the third cup they will make twice as much as the first & second cup. Now try you what was the just weight of every cup.

Another question: the seventh example.

Scholar.

Scholar. I do set the weight of the first Cup to be nine Ounces, then in as much as these two (that is to say, the cover and the first Cup) doe weigh the weight of the three Cups, I see that the three Cuppes must weigh 27 ounces, for so much is 18 and 9. Also because the first and the third doe weigh double so much as the second, therefore it is the third part of that weight, that is 9, and then would it follow, that the third Cup also should weigh 9 ounces; but then the question saith that the Cover being joyned to the second Cup, they weigh as much as the second twice, and the third once, that should be 27, and so it doth; that being joyned with the third Cup, they should weigh twice as much as the first and the second, that should be 36, and they weigh but 27, so is that error 9 too little. Then beginne I again, and say, that the first Cup doth weigh twelve ounces which I joyne with the Cover, and they make thirty ounces: then seeing the second is of that weight, it must needs weigh ten ounces, and the third must weigh 8 ounces, seeing the first and the third must weigh 20 ounces. Now put I the Cover to the second Cup, and they weigh 28 ounces, which should be even so: then joyne I the cover with the third Cup, & so should it weigh twice the first and the second, that is 44 ounces, and they weigh but 26, that is 18 9 12 too little: those errors with their positions I set down, and multiply in crosse wayes 9 by 12, 9— 18— whereof cometh 108: Also 9 by 18, and that yeldeth 162: and in as much as the signes be like, I abate the lesser out of the greater, and there doth remaine



remains 54. Then doe I also abate the lesser error from the greater, & so remainth 9, by which I divide 54, and the quotient is 6, which I take for the true weight of the first Cup, which being joyned with the Cover, must weigh as much as the three Cups, so doe they weigh but 24 ounces. Then seeing the second Cup is the third part of that weight, for the other two Cups (you say) must weigh double his weight, the weight of the second Cup is 8 ounces, and so the weight of the third Cup must be 10 ounces. Now put the Cover to the second Cup, and it will make 26 ounces: that must be the weight of the second twice, and the third once, that is, twice 8, and once 10, and so is it. Again put the Cover to the third Cup of 10 ounces, and they must weigh, twice as much as the first and the second, that is 28, and so is all agréable.

Master. Then answer to this Question.

*There is a Cisterne with four Cocks, containing 72 barrels of water: and if the greatest Cocke be opened, the water will avoid clean in six houres; at the second Cocke it will aske eight houres: at the third Cock it will avoid in no lesse then nine houres: and at the smallest it will require twelve houres. Now I demand in what space will it avoid, all the Cocks being set open?*

A question  
of water:  
the eight  
example.

Scholar. First I imagine it will avoid in two houres.

Master. Then must there avoid by the first Cock  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the water, that is 24 Barrels, and by the second Cock  $\frac{1}{4}$ , that is 18, and by the third Cock  $\frac{1}{6}$ , that is 12 Barrels, and by the smallest Cock  $\frac{1}{12}$ , that

that is 12 Barrels, all which summes put together, do make 70, as by their Addition it doth appeare, but it should be 72, therefore the error is too few.

Scholar. Then will I begin again by your labour, because I think I understand the work, and put three houres for the due time: so shall there run out at the greatest Cock  $\frac{1}{2}$ , that is, 36 Barrels, and at the second hole  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is 27, and at the third Cock  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is 24, and at the smallest hole  $\frac{1}{4}$ , that is 18 Barrels, which all together doe make 105, and should be but 72, so is it too much by 33: therefore do I set the errors in order of the figure with their positions, and worke by multiplication, in crosse, saying, 2 times 3 is 6, & 2 times 33 mak 66, & because the signes are unlike, I must adde these 2 totalls together, which make 72: also I adde the two errors, and they make 35, by which I divide 72, and the Quotient riseth  $2\frac{2}{5}$ , whereby I see that all the Cocks being set open, the water will aboid in two houres, and  $\frac{2}{5}$  of an hour.

Master. This exercise maketh you to grow expert in the Rule. Therefore I will enure you somewhat moze with a question or two.

**Aquestion ofpartners:** *There were two men that had been partners, and had in account between them 300 Duckets; whereof the one should have for his part 180, & the other 120: but in the parting of them, they fell at variance; so that each of them catched as many as he could: yet afterward being reconciled they agreed that he which hath gotten most part of them, should lay down  $\frac{1}{4}$  of them again, and he that had gotten least, should lay down  $\frac{1}{3}$  of those which*

**The ninth example.**

which he had taken, and then parting them into two equall parts, each man to have halfe thereof, and so had they their just portions as they ought to have: now I demand of you what each of them had gotten by the scrambling.

Scholar. I suppose he that had least, got 108 Duckets, then the other had 192: wherefore in laying down again of the 192, there was put down  $\frac{1}{4}$ , that is, 144, and so had he left but 48. Also of the 108, there was laid down 36, that is  $\frac{1}{3}$ , & so he had left 72. Then I put together 144 & 36, and it maketh 180. which I part into two parts even, and so commeth 90 to be given to each of them: which summe put to 72 maketh 162; and joyned to 148, it maketh 238: and now I doubt how I shall go forward.

Master. You need not to take but one of them, which you list, the greater or the smaller, for all cometh to one purpose: and so may you compare it that you take to any of the other summes, remembering that you make comparison to the same in the second worke: as for example of the first part. If you compare 138 with the lesser summe one, that is, 120, so is it 18 too much, and if you compare it with the greater summe, then is it 42 too little. Again, if you compare 162 to the greater summe, the error will be 18, as it was in the other: but it will have a contrary signe: and if you compare it with the lesser summe, it will be 42 too much: so that the error both wayes is either 18 or 42: & as for the signes it little soareth, for in them is nothing considered here, but likeness and unlikenesse, which in this case doth neither

Note.

further or hinder : But now go on with the worke.

Scholar. If it be so, then am I out of my greatest doubt. When I joyne that 90 (which I found as the half of the latter partition) unto 48, which is left with the one man and so hath he 138, which (I may say) is 18 too many, for the least should be but 120 that error do I note, and then make a new position, supposing the one man to have 204, and the other to have 96, wherefore of the 204, there must be laid down 153, and so remaineth with him 51. Also of the 96, there must bee laid down  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is 32, and so resteth with that man 64. Now of the 153 and 32, I make one summe, as 185, which I must divide into two equall parts, and so each man shall have 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ , whereunto if I adde their former portions reserved, then the one shall have 156 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and the other hath 143 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Wherefore take the lesser summe now again, as I did before, that is, 143 $\frac{1}{2}$  and find that he hath too many by 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ , for he should have but 120, and so have I for my two positions two errors, which I set down as here may be seen, each error under his position, and then by the Rule I doe multiply in crosse wayes 108 by 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and there riseth 2538, which I note, then again I 108 96 multiply 96 by 18, and thereof amounteth 1728.

Now because the signes are both 18† 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ † like, that is, both too many, I must worke by Subtraction, and so abating 1728, out of 2538, there will rest for the Dividend 810; then for the Divisor I subtract 18 out of 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and there remaineth

eth  $\frac{1}{2}$ , by which I divide 810, and the quotient will be 147  $\frac{1}{11}$ , which is the just portion of him that had the least summe. And if I doe subtract it out of 300, being the totall summe, then will there remain 152  $\frac{1}{11}$ , as the portion that the other did get.

Master. For the p[ro]ofe of this worke, you may chuse whether you will examine those numbers according to the forme of the questions or else worke by other two positions, for to finde the second number: and if those positions bring the same numbers that did amount by the first two positions, then both each worke confirm other.

Scholar. By your patience, I will probe both wayes, not onely to seeke their agreement but also to accustoms my minde to those workes: for I perceive it is exercise that must be the chiefe engraver of these Rules in my memory.

Master. You consider it well: then go to.

Scholar. First, I will by two other positions try to finde the portion of him which had most.

Master. Although you may doe it with any positions, yet to see the agreement of your worke the better, take the same positions that you did before, comparing them now to the greater, as you did before unto the lesser.

Scholar. When I suppose that he that had most, had 192, so had the other 108. Now if I take  $\frac{1}{4}$  out of 192, that will be 144 and there will rest to that man but 48. And from the second which had 108, if I take  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is 36, there will remain to him 72: then joining 144 with 36, it will make 180, the halfe whereof being 90. If I adde to

each of those two mens portions remaining with them, the one shall have 138, and the other 162, of which two I take the greater (that is 162) and see it to be 18 too few; for it should be 180, that error I note under this position. Then for the second position I take (as I did before) 204 for the one, and so resteth 96 for the other: then take  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 204, and it will be 51, and there resteth to him 51. Also of the 96 I take  $\frac{1}{3}$  that is, 32, and there remaineth to him 64; now put I that 32 to 153, and it yeeldeth 185: which being parted in equall values, maketh  $92\frac{1}{2}$  to be added to each mans remainder, and so the one hath 143 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and the other 156 $\frac{1}{2}$ : wherefore I take the greatest summe, and it is 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  too little, that do I note also, and set both these errors under their positions, as in this Example following both appeare.

And then multiplying 192 by 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ , there doth arise, 4512.

Again, I multiply 204 by 18, and it maketh 3672, which I doe subtract out of 4512, because the signes be like, and there resteth 840 for the dividend, then subtracting 18 out of 28 $\frac{1}{2}$  there will remain 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , which I must take for the Divisor. And so dividing 840 by 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  the quotient will be 152 $\frac{2}{11}$ , whereby I have found an agreeable summe to that which I found by the former positions, for him that had most, which I doe subtract out of 300, that is the totall, there will rest 147 $\frac{1}{11}$ , which was the portion of him that had the least part.

Master. So by diverse positions, you see, that one doth



doth confirme the work of the other. Now examine those two numbers by the forme of the question, and so shall you prove your work good also.

Scholar. If that he which gat most had  $152 \frac{1}{11}$ , then must he lay down  $\frac{1}{3}$  of this summe, that is  $50 \frac{4}{11}$ , and so shall remain with him but onely  $38 \frac{1}{11}$ . The other which had least, that is  $147 \frac{1}{11}$ , must put down of his summe  $\frac{1}{3}$ , that is  $49 \frac{1}{11}$ , and so doth there remain with him yet  $98 \frac{1}{11}$ . When do I adde together  $147 \frac{1}{11}$  and  $49 \frac{1}{11}$ , and it will make  $163 \frac{1}{11}$  which I must part into equall parts, and that will be  $81 \frac{2}{11}$ , to be given to each of them: putting  $81 \frac{2}{11}$  unto  $38 \frac{1}{11}$ , there doth amount  $120$  just, which is the true Portion of him that should have the lesser summe: and adding  $81 \frac{2}{11}$ ,  $98 \frac{1}{11}$ , the totall will be  $180$ , the true portion of the other. And so is the work by this proofe also tryed to be good. And this I marke by the way, that in their scrambling, he got most (as it chanceth often) that ought to have had least by just partition.

Master. Let your study be to learn truth and just Art of proportion: and to distribute and part according thereunto, as often as occasion shall be ministered. And here would I make an end of this Rule, save that I remember one pleasant question which I cannot overpasse, which I will declare somewhat largely, because you shall as well understand some reason in the pleasant invention, as apt proceeding in the witty working thereof.

Hiero King of the Syracusans in Sicilia had caused The tenth to be made a Crown of Gold of a wonderfull weight, example to be offered for his good succeffe in wars: in making of Gold and Silver. whereof the Goldsmith fraudulently took out a certain

portion of Gold, and put in Silver for it, so that there was nothing abated of the full weight, although there was much of the value diminished.

Which thing at length being uttered (as no evil can alwayes lie hid) the King was sore moved: and being desirous to know the truth without breaking of the Crown, proposed the doubt to Archimedes, unto whose wit nothing seemed impossible, which although presently he could not answer unto, yet he had good hope to devise some policy for that invention, and so musing thereon, as he chanced to enter into a Bath full of water to wash him, he observed, that as his body entred into the Bath, the water did runne over the Tub, whereby his ready wit of such small effects conjecturing greater works, conceived by and by a reason of solution to the Kings question, and therefore rejoicing exceedingly, more then if he had gotten the Crown it selfe, forgot that he was naked, and so ranne home, crying, as hee ranne, *εὕρηκα, εὕρηκα*, I have found, I have found. And thereupon caused two massie pieces, one of Gold, and another of Silver, to be prepared, of the same weight that the said Crown was of: and considering that Gold is heavier of nature then Silver, and therefore Gold of like weight with Silver, must needs occupie lesse room, by reason it is more compact and sound in substance, he was assured that putting the masse of Gold into a vessel brimfull of water, there would not so much water runne out, as when he should put in the silver masse of the like weight. Wherefore he tried both, and noted not onely the quantities of the water at each time, but

but also the difference or excesse of the one aboue the other, whereby he learned what proportion in quantity is betwixen Gold and Silver of equal weight. And then putting the Crown it self into the vessell of water bym-full (as before) marked how much water did run out then, and comparing it with the water that ranne out when the Gold was put in, noted how much it did exceed that: and likewise comparing it to the water that ranne out of the Silver, marking how much it was lesse then that, and by those proportions found out the iust quantity of Gold that was taken out of the Crown, and how much Silver was put in stead of it: but seeing Viervius which writeth this History, doth not declare the particular worke of this triall, it shall be no inconvenience to suppose an example for declaration sake, wherein although the true iust proportion be not expessed, yet the forme of triall shall be truly set forth. And for an example, I suppose the weight of the Crown to be 8 pound, and so of each the other two Masses. And when the Masse of Gold was put into the water, I imagine that there ranne out two pound of water: and when the masse of Silver was put in, I suppose there ran out 3 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Again, when the Crowne was put in, there ran out two pound  $\frac{1}{4}$ : Now to know what quantity of Silver was in the Crown, work by the Rule of false position, and imagine that there was two pound of Silver, then must there be six pound of Gold, then say thus by the Rule of Proportion. If eight pound of Gold do expell two pound of water, what shall six pound expell? and it will be 1 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Again, for the Silver; if eight pound of Silver

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expell three pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  of water, what shall two pound of Silver put out? it will be  $\frac{2}{3}$ , now adde those two weights of water together, and they will make two pound  $\frac{1}{3}$ , and it should be by the supposition two pound  $\frac{1}{2}$ , so is it too much by  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

Scholar. Now do I understand the worke as I thinke, therefore I pray you let me worke the rest of the question. And because this first supposition do erre, I note that position & his errour, & take a new position, esteeming the Silver to be but one pound, so must there be in gold 7 pound. Then say I, if eight pound of Gold do yeld two pound of water, what shall seven pound yeld? and it will be 1 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Again, if 8 l. of Silver expell 3 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  of water, what shall 1 pound expell? and it will be  $\frac{1}{16}$ . Now must I adde those two summes together, and they make two pound  $\frac{1}{16}$ , and they should make 2 pound  $\frac{1}{4}$ , so is it too little by  $\frac{1}{8}$ . Therefore I set the positions with their errors in order as here followeth: And then I multiply in crosse wayes 2 by  $\frac{1}{16}$  and it maketh  $\frac{1}{8}$ : Likewise 1 multiplied by  $\frac{1}{8}$  - 2 1 maketh  $\frac{1}{8}$ . And because the signes be unlike, I must adde these two summes which make  $\frac{1}{4}$ : and that is the dividend. X  
 $\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}$

Againe, I must adde  $\frac{1}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{16}$ , and it will be  $\frac{3}{16}$  that is the Divisor. Now I shall divide  $\frac{1}{4}$ , by  $\frac{3}{16}$  and the quotient will be  $\frac{4}{3}$ , that is, 1  $\frac{1}{3}$ : whereby I know that there was but 1 pound and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of Silver into the Crown, and so much Gold taken out for it.

Master. Prove it now by examination, according to the question.

Scholar. If there were 1 pound  $\frac{1}{3}$  of Silver, then was

was there of Gold 6 pound  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Now say I by the Rule of proportion: if 8 pound of Gold expell two pound of water, what shall 6 pound  $\frac{2}{3}$  expell, it will be 1 pound  $\frac{2}{3}$ .  $6\frac{2}{3} Z 1\frac{2}{3}$

8  $Z 3\frac{1}{2}$  Againe, if 8 pound of Silver expell  $1\frac{1}{2}$   $Z 3\frac{1}{2}$  three pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  of water, what shall  $1\frac{1}{3}$  expell? It will be  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Now must I adde together 1 pound  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$ , and they will make 2 pound  $\frac{2}{3}$ , that is, 2 pound  $\frac{1}{3}$ , according to the supposition of the question: whereby I perceiue the work to be well done. And I cannot but much reioyce of this excellent invention, so my desire is kindled vehemently to be perfectly instructed in every part thereof, & namely in this point, whether the proportion between water and Gold be such that for 8 pound of Gold put into a vessell full of water, there shall runne out two pound of water, and for as much Silver, whether 3 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  of water would aboide.

Master. I perceiue your meaning, and coniecture your imagination to be thus, that if you knew the exact proportion between Gold and Silver, and water, both in their weight and quantities, then could you easily finde out the mixtures of them, which thing I haue reserued for another worke that intreateth of such matters especially. And at this time you must consider that you learn Arithmetick, which intreateth of the manner to solue doubtfull questions touching number, without regard what matter is signified by that number: else were it necessary in Arithmetick, to teach all Arts, seeing in it may be mooved questions of all Arts.

But seeing you are so desirous to know these things,



**Aquestion** *things, I will tell you in such a sort, that you shall*  
**of the pro-** *practise your Art in finding it, and propose it in*  
**portion of** *forme of a question. Gold beareth a greater propor-*  
**Gold, silver,** *tion to water then Silver doth, and their two pro-*  
**and quick-** *portions be in proportion together, as 48 to 25. But*  
**silver, un-** *to help you somewhat in this Riddle, you shall note that*  
**to water.** *the proportion of Quick-silver unto water, is the just*  
*middle number proportionall in progression Geomet-*  
*ricall between the proportion of Gold and Silver unto*  
*water.*

And this proportion is  $\frac{22}{21}$ . Now if you will know the just numbers of these 3 proportions, then must you finde out 3 numbers in Progreession Geometricall, whereof the middlemost must be  $\frac{22}{21}$ , & the first must be unto the last, as 25 to 48. And thus I will leave you to find those numbers when you be at leisure.

Scholar. Yet Sir, I thank you heartily for thus much, for now I see the possibility to finde them out. Howbeit, because this question seemeth strange, if it might please you to instruct me somewhat in the order of working for it, I should the more easily finde the true working.

Master. You desire too much if you will study for nothing: Wherefore to occasion you to study the better, I will leave this doubt wholly to your own search: But as touching the generallity of the Rule, Archimedes needed not to take two Masses of gold and Silver equall in weight with the Crown, for the proportion might as well be found in any other weight, yea, although the Masse of Gold were of one weight, and the Masse of Silver of another. As for example: if the Crown were of 8 pound weight as I did suppose, and I have not so



so much other fine Gold, but onely one pound, and trying that by water, and finding that it doth expell but  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an ounce of water, yet then by it I may inferre, that 8 pound of Gold would expell 6 ounces of water. And likewise of Silver, whereof if I had but two pound, and finde that it doth expell thre ounces of water, then might I affirme, that 8 pound would expell 12 ounces, that is, one pound weight : and so is it good as if the thre Masses were all of one weight. And thus for this time I will make an end of this other part of Arithmeticke.

Scholar. Although I cannot sufficiently thank you for this, yet your promise made me to looke for the Art of Extraction of Roots, whereof hitherto I have learned nothing.

Master. I will not breake my promise, but intend ( God willing ) to performe it within this thre or foure moneths, if I perceiue this my paines to be well taken in the mean season. And you shall not repent the tarrying for it : for it shall be increased by the tarrying. And in the mean time you shall take this Addition, not for the second part of Arithmeticke which I promised, but for an augmentation of the first part, unto which I would have annexed the Extraction of Rootes square and cubic, namely for Examples of the Statute of Assise of Wood, but that in the second part I must write of diuers other Roots, and thought it best to reserve those Rules also with these Examples unto the same second parr.

Scholar.

Scholar. Sir, although I cannot recompence your goodnesse, yet I shall alwayes doe mine endeavour to occasion you not to repent your benefitt on me thus employed.

Master. That recompence is sufficient for your part.

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The first Chapter of this Addition entreateth of brief Rules, called Rules of Practise, which divers necessary questions, profitable not onely for *Merchants*, but also for all other *Occupiers whatsoever*.



THE working of Multiplication in practice, is no other thing then a certain Rule. 1.

manner of Multiplying of one kinde by another: whereupon is brought forth, the Product of the proposed number,

which is accomplished by the meanes of Division in taking the *halfe*, the *third*, the *fourth*, the *fifth*, or such other parts of the summe, which is to be multiplied.

*And for the better understanding of such conversions, you shall understand that in the manner and use of these Rules of Practise, you ought first to know the even or aliquot parts of a shilling, which in this Table following doth appear.*

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| $\left. \begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right\}$ | <i>Item</i>         | $\left. \begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{1}{6} \end{array} \right\}$ |
|                                                                      | <i>pence is the</i> | <i>of a shilling.</i>                                                                                                  |

Wherein as you see according to the order of these rules of Practise: at 6 pence the yard of any thing, you must take  $\frac{1}{2}$  of your number which is to be multiplied, and the product that commeth thereof shall be

be shillings, if any unite doe remain it is 6 pence.

For 4 d. take the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the number that is to be multiplied, and the product also produceth shillings, if any unites doe remain, each one shall be worth in value 4 pence. The like is to be understood of the other 3, &c.

*I Example.*

At 6 d the yard, what

379 yards?

189  $\text{f}$  ——— 6 d

*II*

At 4 d the yard, what

104 yards?

34  $\text{f}$  ——— 8 d

*III*

At 3 d the yard, what

5014 yards?

1253  $\text{f}$  ——— 6 d

*IV*

At 2 d the yard, what

532 yards?

88  $\text{f}$  ——— 8 d

*V*

At 1 d the yard, what

409?

34  $\text{f}$  ——— 1 d

Here you may see in the first example, that 379 yards at 6 d. the yard, are worth 189  $\text{f}$ . 6 d in taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 379. And in the second example the 104 yards at 4 pence the yard, are worth 34  $\text{f}$ , 8 d, in taking the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 104. Likewise in the third example, 5014 yards at 3 d the yard, bringing forth 1253  $\text{f}$ . 6 d in taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 5014. Also in the fourth Example at 2 d the yard, maketh 88 s. 8 d.

And lastly, in the fifth Example: 409 yards at 1 d the yard amounteth to 34 s. 1 d. in taking the  $\frac{1}{12}$  of 409. and



409. and so is to be done also of all other questions the like, when the number of the pence is any of the even or aliquot parts of 12 d.

Item, to bring the Products of these shillings, and all other the like into pounds is very easie in dividing of it in your minde by 20. for it is to be understood that as often as 20 is found in that Product, so many pounds doth it contain : which with facility to performe, alwayes strike off the figure towards your right hand, with a right down dash of your pen, for the o that appertaineth to the 20. And then begin at the left hand, in taking the half off the rest. And if that at the last any unite doe remain, the same shall be joyned with the figure that is cut off which shall represent the odde shillings contained in that work.

As for example, in your third question at 3 d the yard, which amounteth to 1253 s. 6 d. the Product whereof maketh, 62 li. 13 s. 6 d. as here you may see is easily performed by this Example.

$$\begin{array}{r} 125 \overline{) 3} \\ 62 - 13 = 6 \end{array}$$

Also for the working of one peny the yard, it is something harsh and hard to take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of some Products : therefore to ease that hard worke, you shall first bring your delivered summe into groats by taking  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the product, and if any unites remain of that  $\frac{1}{4}$  part as sometimes there may they are pence : and must be signified with a line from the groats with their title of pence ; and because that 60 groats maketh a Pound or twenty shillings, strike off the first figure toward your right hand, for the o that appertaineth to 60 (as you did even now for the o that belongeth to 20 : ) Then in taking the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of that product, if there doe remain any unites, the same shall

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you joyne with the figure that you cut off, esteeming them as *groats*, which keep in your minde, and by taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of them, you shall turn them into *shillings*, and so have you done: *As for Example*, by a Question or two hereafter proposed, shall more plainly by the worke appear.

At 1 d, the yard, what  $\begin{array}{r} 5\ 4\ 3\ 6\ 8\ \text{yards?} \\ 1\ 3\ 5\ 9\ 2\ \text{groats.} \\ \hline \frac{1}{2}\ \text{li} \text{---} 2\ 2\ 6\text{--}10\text{s--}8\ \text{d.} \end{array}$

Here in taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of 1 3 5 9, in coming to the last worke, the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of 39 being taken, the remainder is 3, which joyned with the two that was cut off, maketh 32 *groats*, which converted into *shillings*, by taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part, maketh as appeareth 10 *shillings* 8 d. Many other wayes there are, but none more apt for a young learner to understand then this: wherefore this one way well impressed in memory is better then 20 wayes doubtfully understood.

At 1 peny the yard, what  $\begin{array}{r} 4\ 5\ 3\ 3\ \text{yards?} \\ 1\ 1\ 3\ 3\ \text{groats--}1\ \text{d} \\ \hline \frac{1}{2}\ \text{li.}\ 1\ 8\text{---}17\text{--}9\ \text{d} \end{array}$

At 1 peny the yard, what  $\begin{array}{r} 6\ 4\ 7\ 6\ 8\ \text{yards?} \\ 1\ 6\ 1\ 9\ 2\ \text{groats} \\ \hline \text{li}\ 269\text{--}17\text{--}4\ \text{d} \end{array}$

**N**ow followeth also to be understood that if the number of pence be not an aliquot part of 12, you must reduce them into some aliquot part of 12: and after the aforesaid manner, you shall make of them two or three Products, as need shall require, and add them together into one summe. And here for thy furtherance appeareth a note of the order of their parts,

parts, as they are to be taken.

|           |    |      |     |     |   |    |           |    |   |
|-----------|----|------|-----|-----|---|----|-----------|----|---|
| for pence | 5  | take | 3   | and | 2 | or | 4         | or | 1 |
|           | 7  |      | 4   |     | 3 |    | 6         |    | 1 |
|           | 8  |      | 4   |     | 3 |    | 6         |    | 2 |
|           | 9  |      | 6   |     | 3 |    | 4.4       |    | 1 |
|           | 10 |      | 6   |     | 4 |    | 4.4 and 2 |    |   |
| 11        | 6  | 4    | 4.4 | 3   |   |    |           |    |   |

Here in the first note of this *Table* at 5 d. you shall first take for 3 d the  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the number that is to be multiplied: and likewise for 2 d. the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the same number, adding together both the Products: But if you will worke by 4 and 1, you must for 4 d, first take  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the number that is to be multiplied: and for 1 d, take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe, or rather, which is better, for 1 peny you may take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the product which did come of the 4 pence: because that 1 d, is the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 4 pence. The totall summes of these two numbers shall be the solution to the *Question*. And in like manner it is to be done of all others, as by these Examples following shall appear.

I

At 5 d the yard, what

3 d

2 d

shillings,

758 yards ?

189 ——— 6 d

126 ——— 4 d

325 ——— 10 d

Otherwise,

At 5 d the yard what

4 d

1 d

shillings,

758 yards ?

252 ——— 8 d

63 ——— 2 d

315 ——— 10 d

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## II

At 7 pence the Ell, what

4 d

3 d

shillings,

563 Elles ?

187 ——— 8 d

140 ——— 9 d

328 ——— 5 d

## III

At 8 d the pound, what

4 d

4 d

shillings,

112 pound ?

37 ——— 4 d

37 ——— 4 d

74 ——— 8 d

*Otherwise,*

At 8 d the pound, what

6 d

2 d

shillings,

112 pound ?

56 ——— 0

18 ——— 8

74 ——— 8 d

## IIII.

At 9 pence the Elle, what

6 d

3 d

shillings

356 Elles ?

178 ——— 0

89 ——— 0

267 ——— 0 d

## V.

At 10 pence the peece, what

6 d

4 d

shillings

795 peeces ?

397 ——— 6

265 ——— 0

662 ——— 6

V I.

|                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| At 11 pence the pound, what | 7576 pounds?               |
| 6d                          | 3788 ——— 0                 |
| 4d                          | 2525 ——— 4                 |
| 1d                          | 631 ——— 4                  |
|                             | <hr/> 6944 ——— 8d          |
|                             | <hr/> Pounds 347 — 4s — 8d |

1 Here in this first example, where it is demanded (at 5 d the yard) what will 758 cost? First, for 3 d, I take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 758: and thereof commeth 189 s. 6 d: Then for 2 d I take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the same 758, which amounteth to 126 s. 4 d, these two summes added together, doe make 315 shillings 10 pence: and so much are the 758 yards worth at 5 d the yard.

Item also for the same again: First for 4 d, I take the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 758; and thereof commeth 252 s. 8 d: then for 1 peny I take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the same 758. that is to say, of 252 s. 8 d, and it yeeldeth me 63 s. 2 d: which both added together maketh 315 s — 10 d, as before.

2 Item, for 7 d there is taken the  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe which is to be multiplyed, and adde them together, that is to say, first, for 4 pence there is taken  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 563: which comes to 187 s. - 8 d, as appeareth by the worke, and for 3 d there is taken the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe, which amounteth to 140 s — 9 d. Both which products added together, doe make 328 s. — 5 d. and so much comes 563 Elles to at 7 d the Elle.

3 Item, for the first 8 d. there is taken for 4 d. the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe, and another  $\frac{1}{4}$  for the other 4 d. which added together, as in the example doth

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evidently appear, amounteth to 74 s.-8 d.

*Again, for the second work of 112 li.* there is taken first the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe for 6 d. which comes to 56 s. then for that 2 d. you have to take  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, or if you will, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product that came of 6 d; either of which maketh 18 s.-8 d. these two summes being added together doe make 74 s. 8 d. as in the third example appeareth.

*4 Item, for 9 d.* there is taken for 6 pence the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, and the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe for 3 d. or otherwise for the 3 d. you may take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product that came of 6 d. because 3 pence is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 6 d. which added together as plainly appeareth in the fourth example, amounteth to 267 s. 0 d.

*Item for 10 d.* first there is taken for 6 d. the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, which amounteth to 397 s.-6 d. Then for 4 d. there is found 265 s. both which added together, make 662 shillings, 6 d. as appeareth in the fifth example: It may also be wrought, as appeareth by the second note in the Table, by 4 d. twice taken, and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product of 4 d. or else by the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, &c.

*Item, for 11 d.* there is first taken the  $\frac{1}{2}$  for 6 d. then the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe for 4 d. Lastly, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the last product for 1 d. All which 3 summes added together, maketh in shillings 6944 s.-8 d. and in pounds 347-4 s.-8 d.

*Item, likewise by the same reason, when you will multiply (by shillings) any number that is under 20. you shall have in the Product pounds, if you know the even or aliquot parts of 20. which are here in this little Table set down to sight.*

*Item,*



Item, s.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} 10 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right\}$  is the  $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{5} \\ 01 \\ 20 \end{array} \right\}$  of one pound.

So that for 10 s. which is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a pound, you may take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the number which is to be multiplied, and you shall have in your product pounds, if an unite doe remain, it shall be worth ten shillings.

Likewise for 5 shillings you must take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the number which is to be multiplied, and if there do remain any unites, they shall be fourth parts of a Pound, every unite being in value five shillings.

For 4 shillings take the  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the number which is to be multiplied: and if there doe remain any unites, they shall be fift parts of a pound, each unite being in value 4 shillings.

For 2 shillings you must take the  $\frac{1}{10}$  of the number to be multiplied, wherefore to take the  $\frac{1}{10}$  of any number, you must cut off the last figure of the same number (which is nearest your right hand) from all the other figures with a small right down line or dash with a Pen, and so have you done: for all the other figures which doe remain toward your left hand from the same figure that you do separate, shall be pounds: and that figure so separated towards your right hand, shall be so many pieces of 2 s. the which figure you must double to make thereof the true number of shillings, as by the Example shall appear.

Finally, for 1 shilling needeth small work, for it is so many shillings as be proposed in the summe, which to bring into pounds, hath been already taught in the first rule.



the  $\frac{1}{10}$  of the number that is to be multiplied. Then for one *shilling* you must take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product which did come of the same  $\frac{1}{10}$  part : which two summes added together produceth the effect desired.

*Item, for 6 shillings according to the note set forth in the Table, first for 4 s. I take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the number that is to be multiplied : Then for 2 s. the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the product that came of 4 s. and adde them together.*

*Or else as appeareth also in the Table, for 5 shillings you may take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  and the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the product that came of 5 shillings, and adde them together.*

*Item, for 7 s. first for 5 s. take  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the product that is to be multiplied, then for 2 s. take the  $\frac{1}{10}$  of the number that is to be multiplied, and adde them together, &c.*

*Item, for 8 s. according to reason, and the intent of the Table, for the first 4 s. take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product, and the same number again for the other 4 s. and adde them together.*

*Item, for 9 shillings : first for 5 shillings, take the  $\frac{1}{4}$ , then for 4 shillings take the  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; and adde them together.*

*Otherwise, as you see by the intent of the Table, work twice for 9 shillings as was taught even now for 8 : and then take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the last product for the 1 shilling : but 5 and 4 is the shorter.*

*Item, for 11 s. first dispatch 10 s. for which you must take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product : then lastly, for 1 shilling take the  $\frac{1}{10}$  part of the summe produced of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the product, and adde them together.*

*Item, for 12 shillings, where I will end with the first part of my Table. For take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  for 10 shillings.*  
And

And then for 2 *shillings*, take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the summe that came of 10 *shillings*, take and adde them together, or else if you please for 2 *shillings* you may take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole given number.

To write more of the manner of taking the true parts, I omit. The desirous practitioners will (no doubt) conceive it. Also the *Table* is some aid to help the unperfect, whereupon by and by I will set down three or four of these notes in *Examples*, and the rest I will leave to thine own industry and practise, to labour upon.

This is the order most commonly used in practise, when the number of shillings is not an *aliquot* part of a pound. But (*loving Reader*) after I have touched the even or *aliquot* parts of a pound that falleth out in pence and shillings, I will deliver two new Rules that shall drown this common order quite and clean : wherein shall be comprehended in one line, or working both of even and odde parts of shillings under 20 without regard whether it be an *aliquot*, or not an *aliquot* part ; which two Rules (when they come in place) I commit to thy friendly judgement in working.

Now follow the examples upon the notes aforesaid.

At 6 shillings the yard, what

4 shillings

2 shillings

li.

3215 yards?

643

321 — 10

964 — 10s.

Other-

# Rules of Practise.

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Otherwise by Multiplication of 6.

|                              |      |               |
|------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 6 shillings                  |      | 3215          |
| li                           | 964  | 19290         |
| At 7 shillings the Ell, what |      | 10 shillings. |
| 5 shillings                  |      | 4563 Ells ?   |
| 2 shillings                  |      | 1140 — 15     |
| li.                          | 1597 | 456 — 6       |
|                              |      | 1 shilling.   |

Otherwise by Multiplication of 7.

|                         |      |               |
|-------------------------|------|---------------|
| 7 s                     |      | 4563          |
|                         |      | 31941         |
|                         | 1597 | 1             |
| At 8 s. the piece, what |      | 7563 pieces ? |
| 4 s                     |      | 1512 — 12     |
| 4 s                     |      | 1512 — 12     |
| pounds                  |      | 3025 — 45.    |

Otherwise by Multiplication of 8.

|                          |      |              |
|--------------------------|------|--------------|
| 8 s                      |      | 7563         |
|                          |      | 60504        |
| pounds                   | 3025 | 4 shillings. |
| At 13 s. the piece, what |      | 401 pieces ? |
| 10 s                     |      | 200 — 10     |
| 2 s                      |      | 40 — 2       |
| 1 s                      |      | 20 — 1       |
| pounds                   |      | 260 — 13     |

Other-

*Otherwise by Multiplication.*

|        |             |
|--------|-------------|
|        | 401         |
|        | <hr/>       |
| 13 s.  | 1203        |
|        | 401         |
|        | <hr/>       |
|        | 5213        |
| pounds | <hr/>       |
|        | 260 — 13 s. |

These and such like questions of compound number, which I have here in this fourth rule for orders sake set down, for that it hath been heretofore a common course of work, I account but superfluous. For in the eight and ninth Rules of this my simple Addition shall appear, that the given price or any even or odde number of shillings, either under or above 20 shall be wrought at one or two workings at the most, how difficult soever the question be.

**3 Rule.**

To reduce  
pence into  
pounds at  
one operation.

*Item, there resteth yet a kinde of practise, how to bring pence into pounds at the first working, whereupon you must understand that 240 pence maketh one pound, or 20 s. In consideration whereof I cut off the last figure or 0, and there remaineth but 24 (of which 24) 8 d. is the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part thereof, 6 d. is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  part, 4 d. is the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part, and 2 pence is the  $\frac{1}{12}$  part thereof.*

Whereupon if it were demanded what 1486 yards; or pounds of any thing commeth to, at 8 pence the yard; in pricking or cutting off the first figure towards your right hand, for the 0 that appertaineth 240. There is remaining of the said summe 148, whereout I taking the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part, and it commeth to 49 li. and thereresteth 1, which 1 I put to the 6. that I prick or cut off, and it maketh 16 pieces of 8 pence which I double to make into groats, & they make 32,

whereof



whereof the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part maketh 10 s. and there remaineth  $\frac{1}{4}$  s. which is 8 d, whereby it followeth, that the 1486 yards at 8 pence the yard maketh 49 li. 10 s. 8 d. as by the example shall appear.

*Item*, for 6 d. take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the number from the prickt figure; and if any unites remain, they are so many six pences, whereof taking the  $\frac{1}{4}$  they are shillings, if there doth remain yet one, it is in value six pence.

*Item*, for 4 d. take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the number from the prickt figure; if any unites doe remain, they are so many groats, which to convert into shillings, take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part. And if any yet remain, they are thirds of shillings, each one in value being worth 4 pence.

*Item*, for 3 pence take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part from the prickt figure, if any unites remain, they are so many pieces of 3 pence, whereof in taking the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part, maketh shillings; if any thing yet remain, they are the fourth parts of shillings, each one being in value 3 pence,

*Item*, for 2 pence: as appeareth also by the Table, take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the number from the prickt figure: if any thing remain, they are so many pieces of 2 pence, which by taking the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part, you shall turne into shillings, and if any unites remain, they are so many 6 parts of shillings, or pieces of two pence, whether you will.

If one cost 8 pence, what  
maketh pounds

1486 ?  
—  
49 — 10 — 8d.

If one cost 6 pence, what  
maketh pounds

7865 ?  
—  
196 — 12 — 6d.

At

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| At 4 pence the yard, what | 8736 yards?   |
| maketh pounds.            | 145—12—0d.    |
| If one cost 3 pence, what | 9874 worth?   |
| maketh pounds             | 123—8—6d.     |
| At 2 d, the Ell, what     | 7894 Ells to? |
| maketh pounds             | 63—15—8d.     |

6 Rule.

**B**Ut if your number of pence be not an aliquot or even part of 24, then must you bring them into the aliquot parts of 24. and make thereof diverse products which must be added together, as by the question hereafter following shall appear.

*Item*, for 5 d. first take for 3 d. then for 2 d. and adde them together, according to the instruction of the *second Rule*: or else first take for 4 d, then 1 d.

*Item*, for 7 d. first take for 4 d. then for 3 d. and adde them together.

*Item*, for 9 d. first take for 6 d. then for 3 d. and adde them together.

*Item*, for 10 d. first take for 6 d. then for 4 d. and adde them together.

*Item*, for 11 d. first take for 8 d. then for 3 d. and adde them together: as by these Examples.

## Examples.

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| 1 If one yard cost 5 d. what | 759 6  |
| 4 pence                      | 126—12 |
| 1                            | 31—13  |
| maketh pounds                | 158—5  |

Other-

*Otherwise.*

|                         |   |              |
|-------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1                       | 5 | 759 6        |
| 3 pence                 |   | 94—19        |
| 2 pence                 |   | 63—6         |
| maketh pounds           |   | 158—5 s.     |
| 2 If one cost 7 d. what |   | 98 7 worth ? |
| 4 pence                 |   | 16—9         |
| 3 pence                 |   | 12—6—9       |
| maketh pounds           |   | 28—15—9d.    |

*Otherwise.*

|                         |   |              |
|-------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1                       | 7 | 98 7         |
| 6 pence                 |   | 24—13—6      |
| 1 peny                  |   | 4—2—3        |
| maketh pounds           |   | 28—15—9d.    |
| 3 If one cost 9 d, what |   | 98 7 worth ? |
| 6 pence                 |   | 24—13—6      |
| 3 pence                 |   | 12—6—9       |
| maketh pounds           |   | 37—0—3d.     |

*Otherwise,*

|                              |   |         |
|------------------------------|---|---------|
| 1                            | 9 | 98 7 ?  |
| 6 pence                      |   | 24—13—6 |
| 3 pence                      |   | 12—6—9  |
| maketh pounds                |   | 37—00—3 |
| 4 If one cost 10 pence, what |   | 98 7 ?  |
| 6 pence                      |   | 24—13—6 |
| 4 pence                      |   | 16—9—0  |
| maketh pounds                |   | 41—2—6  |
|                              |   | 5 H     |

5 If one cost 11 pence, what

98|7?

8 pence

32—18--0

3 pence

12—6--9

maketh pounds

45—6--9

But if you haue any shillings and pence to be multiplied together, then are you to take for the shillings according to the instruction of the third Rule: and for the pence according to the first Rule before mentioned: unlesse you can spie the advantage thereof, and thereby helpe your selfe; as appeareth in this second example, where first I worke for 6 d. which is to be rebated out of the given number, and I have 719 li. 11 s. my desire.

At 19 s. 6d. the yard, what 738 yards?

|        |        |       |                     |
|--------|--------|-------|---------------------|
|        | 738    |       | <i>Otherwise by</i> |
| 10 s.  | 369—0  |       | <i>Rebating.</i>    |
| 5 s.   | 184—10 |       | 738                 |
| 4 s.   | 147—12 | 6 d.  | 18—9 s.             |
| 6 d.   | 18—9   | li—7— | 19—11 s.            |
| pounds | 719—   | 11 s. |                     |

The like again is done by Rebating, as by these two examples appeareth.

At 18 s. the Ell, what

418 Ells?

2 s.

41—16

pounds

376—4s.

At 16 s. the Ell, what

517 Ells?

4 s.

103—8

pounds

413—12s.

And

And now I will touch a little the even part of a pound, that falleth out in pence and shillings; whereof for those parts you shall take such like parts out of the given number that is to be multiplied, as the price of that given number beareth in proportion to a pound, which also for their better aid is here set down.

|      |      |            |                                                                   |                    |
|------|------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 s. | 8 d. | } is the { | $\frac{1}{12}$<br>$\frac{1}{8}$<br>$\frac{1}{6}$<br>$\frac{1}{3}$ | } part of a pound. |
| 2    | 6    |            |                                                                   |                    |
| 3    | 4    |            |                                                                   |                    |
| 6    | 8    |            |                                                                   |                    |

Item, first for 1 shilling 8 pence take the  $\frac{1}{12}$  part of the given number, and if any thing do remain they are twelve parts of a pound, each one being in value 1 shilling 8 pence.

Item, for 2 shillings 6 pence, take the  $\frac{1}{8}$  part of the number that is to be multiplied; and if any thing doe remaine, they are eight parts of 1 pound, each one being in value 2 shillings six pence.

Item, for 3 shillings 4 pence, as appeareth by the Table, you must take the  $\frac{1}{6}$  part of the given number, and if any thing do remain, they are 6 parts of a pound, each one being in value 3 shillings 4 pence.

Item, for 6 shillings 8 pence take the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of the number that is to be multiplied: And if any unites doe remaine, they are thirds of a pound, every one being worth 6 shillings 8 pence.

Other infinite numbers there are, that may be reduced by abbreviation into the proportionate parts of a pound, as 16 shillings 8 pence maketh  $\frac{1}{2}$ : which 16 shillings 8 pence is easily reduced into groats, by multiplying 16 by 3, and thereto adde 2, which maketh 50 groats.

Then set 60 the groats of a pound under 50 : cutting off the the two Cyphers as is here performed.

And then have you brought 16 *shillings* 8 pence into the knowne parts of a pound, which maketh

16—8

3

510

610

But yet gentle Reader, for thy further instruction, I have hereunto annexed in a *Table*, how pence and shillings bear proportion to a pound, which I commit to thy friendly benevolence ; it will be some aid unto the ungrounded Practitioner : but I count him the best workman that can presently reduce his given price into the known and proportionate parts of a pound.

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*A Table of the Aliquot parts of a pound or 20 shillings.*

| s. | d. | l.              | s. | d. | l.              |
|----|----|-----------------|----|----|-----------------|
| 0  | 2  | $\frac{1}{100}$ | 8  | 4  | $\frac{1}{12}$  |
| 0  | 3  | $\frac{1}{80}$  | 8  | 9  | $\frac{1}{16}$  |
| 0  | 4  | $\frac{1}{50}$  | 9  | 0  | $\frac{1}{20}$  |
| 0  | 6  | $\frac{1}{40}$  | 10 | 0  | $\frac{1}{25}$  |
| 0  | 8  | $\frac{1}{30}$  | 11 | 0  | $\frac{11}{20}$ |
| 1  | 0  | $\frac{1}{20}$  | 11 | 3  | $\frac{1}{16}$  |
| 1  | 3  | $\frac{1}{16}$  | 12 |    | $\frac{1}{5}$   |
| 1  | 8  | $\frac{1}{12}$  | 12 | 6  | $\frac{1}{8}$   |
| 2  | 0  | $\frac{1}{10}$  | 13 | 0  | $\frac{11}{20}$ |
| 2  | 6  | $\frac{1}{8}$   | 13 | 4  | $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 3  | 0  | $\frac{1}{20}$  | 13 | 9  | $\frac{11}{16}$ |
| 3  | 4  | $\frac{1}{6}$   | 14 | 0  | $\frac{1}{10}$  |
| 3  | 9  | $\frac{1}{16}$  | 15 | 0  | $\frac{1}{4}$   |
| 4  | 0  | $\frac{1}{5}$   | 16 | 0  | $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| 5  | 0  | $\frac{1}{4}$   | 16 | 8  | $\frac{1}{6}$   |
| 6  | 0  | $\frac{1}{10}$  | 17 | 0  | $\frac{11}{20}$ |
| 6  | 6  | $\frac{11}{40}$ | 17 | 6  | $\frac{7}{8}$   |
| 6  | 8  | $\frac{1}{3}$   | 18 | 0  | $\frac{1}{10}$  |
| 7  | 0  | $\frac{1}{20}$  | 18 | 4  | $\frac{11}{12}$ |
| 7  | 6  | $\frac{1}{8}$   | 18 | 9  | $\frac{11}{14}$ |
| 8  | 0  | $\frac{1}{5}$   | 19 | 0  | $\frac{18}{20}$ |

*Here follow four examples upon the  
four Notes delivered.*

|                             |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| At 1 s. 8 d. the yard, what | 3884 yards?     |
| maketh pounds               | 323 — 13 — 4d.  |
| At 2 s. 6 d. the yard, what | 4563 yards?     |
| maketh pounds               | 570 — 7 — 6d.   |
| At 6 s. 8 d. the Ell, what  | 7562 Ells?      |
| maketh pounds               | 2520 — 13 — 4d. |

*Now by custome you are able to work by all sorts of  
summes being delivered in shillings and pence, as one  
shillings one peny, two shillings two pence three  
shillings three pence, and so of all other: wishing  
you to have some consideration of your questions,  
when they are set down, for there are many subtile  
abbreviations, and great advantages to be gotten, and  
easily to be perceived.*

As of 3 s. ——— 8 d. of 2 s. and 1 s. 8 d.

Of 4 s. ——— 2d. of 3 s. ——— 4d. &

10 d. which 10 d. is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 3 s. ——— 4d.

Of 5 s. ——— 8 d. of 4 s. 1 s. ——— 4d.

Of 5 s. 10 d. of 5 s. and 10 d. which 10 d. is  $\frac{1}{6}$  of 5 s.

And by this mean when you have taken one pro-  
duct, you may oftentimes upon the same take an-  
other more briefly then upon the summe which is to  
be multiplied &c.

3 Rule.

**N**OW (Gentle Reader) that you have seen the ver-  
tue of the even or aliquot parts of a pound in  
shillings alone, and also in the aliquot parts of shil-  
lings and pence: according to my promise hereafter  
followeth

followeth a brieſe and eaſier method for any even number of ſhillings, either under or above 20, then ever yet hath been publiſhed; Notwithſtanding M. Humphrey Baker, whoſe travell is worthy commendation, and whom for knowledge ſake I reverence, hath in ſome part touched this firſt part, though not in this method. The work of the Rule both pleaſant, ready, and brieſe, as by the variety of the examples delivered thereupon ſhall appear. And firſt I will ſet forth a queſtion, thereby the better to expreſſe or teach you the order thereof: which is this.

If one coſt 6 s. what 8574?

|   |      |       |        |
|---|------|-------|--------|
| I | 6 s. | 8574  |        |
|   |      | <hr/> |        |
|   |      | 2572  | — 4 s. |

maketh pounds

To the underſtanding of this example, after you have ſet down your given number in form of the Rule of 3, with a line drawn under it, you ſhall preſently ſet a prick under your firſt figure 4 toward your right hand drawing from the prick, as heretofore hath been practiſed, a little ſhort line, thereto ſet down the ſhillings anon, which done, multiply the firſt figure 4 by 6, the value of your price; (which here you ſee ſtandeth in ſight above the line) it maketh 24, which is one pound four ſhillings. The one pound keep to carry to the next place, and the four ſhillings ſet down at the end of the preſcribed line towards your right hand. Thus have you done now with 6 above the line, and alſo with 4 in the firſt place (for the prick under 4 doth ſignifie that 4 hath done his office.) Then ſecondarily for a generall Rule take but the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the given price, which here is the number that ſhall now continue the reſt of the multiplication, and end the work, whereupon I multiply

M. John Mellis his firſt Rule.

Note a general rule

B b 3 3 into

3 into 7, standing in the second place it maketh 21, and with the 1 pound I kept in 22; set down 2 and keep 2 in mind, working according to the Rule of multiplication, delivering the tenths in minde in their due place, which done, the product from the prick to your left hand representeth the pounds, and the other at the end of the shillings, as appeareth by the examples.

If one yard cost 2 s. what  
I 2 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 7536? \\ 7536 \\ \hline 753 \text{ --- } 12 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one yard cost 4 s. what  
I 4 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 8792? \\ 8792 \\ \hline 1758 \text{ --- } 8 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one piece cost 6 s. what  
I 6 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 9537? \\ 9537 \\ \hline 2861 \text{ --- } 2 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one piece cost 8 s. what  
I 8 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 7509? \\ 7509 \\ \hline 3003 \text{ --- } 12 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one cost 12 s. what  
I 12 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 5794? \\ 5794 \\ \hline 3476 \text{ --- } 8 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one cost 14 s. what  
I 14 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 3705? \\ 3705 \\ \hline 2593 \text{ --- } 10 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If one cost 18 s. what  
I 18 s.  
maketh pounds

$$\begin{array}{r} 5703? \\ 5703 \\ \hline 5132 \text{ --- } 14 \text{ s.} \end{array}$$

If

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| If one cost 22 s. what | 953 ?            |
| I      22 s.           | 953              |
| maketh pounds          | <hr/> 1048.—6 s. |

Let these suffice (gentle Reader) for an entrance into even numbers. And now I will shew the like rule for any odde or uneven part of a pound.

**T**O help you to the understanding of these other questions that hereafter follow : where in my first Example the given number is 6487 at 3 s. the yard: I multiply 3 above the line into 7, it maketh 21. The one shilling is set down, and the 1 pound I keep. Now am I to take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of three, which because it is an odde number I cannot.

Therefore I shall keep and continue my multiplication by three still, and work by the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the rest of the given figures or number, to wit, 648. And first the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 8 which is 4 multiplied into 3, maketh 12, there to joyn the 1 li. in minde, it maketh 13. set down 3, keep one. Then again multiply by two the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of four it maketh six, and with one in minde it maketh 7. Then lastly, take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of six, which is 3. saying, 3 times 3 is 9, which 9 set down, and so is the question answered as appeareth by the practice, and examples following.

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| At 3 s. the yard, what | 6487 ?          |
| I      3 s.            | 6487            |
| maketh pounds          | <hr/> 973.—1 s. |

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| If one yard cost 5 s. what | 4269 ?           |
| I      5 s.                | 4269             |
| maketh pounds              | <hr/> 1067.—5 s. |

|                              |       |      |
|------------------------------|-------|------|
| At 7 s. the Ell, what        | 6489? |      |
| I 7 s.                       | 6489  |      |
| maketh pounds                | 2271  | 3s.  |
| If one Ell cost 9 s. what    | 2807? |      |
| I 9 s.                       | 2807  |      |
| maketh pounds.               | 1263  | 3s.  |
| At 11 s. the Pistolet, what  | 8263? |      |
| I 11 s.                      | 8263  |      |
| maketh pounds                | 4544  | 13s. |
| If one piece cost 13 s. what | 4629? |      |
| I 13 s.                      | 4629  |      |
| maketh pounds                | 3008  | 17s. |

But now note (gentle Reader) when the given price falleth upon an odde number. as 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, &c. then it is to be presupposed that the given summe to be multiplied, must be a sum made of even numbers, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, &c. else cannot the question be wrought at one line or working.

Providing alwayes that it may bear an odd figure in the first place towards your right hand, as appeareth in these six examples, which last were wrought, and such like, &c. which may beare an odde number for the price, and be done at one line or working very well.

But if the given price be an odde number, and the sum to be multiplied odde numbers also: then can it not be done at one working, but requireth the aid of two workings, for odde with odde will not agree, which notwithstanding to bring to passe, take this for a generall Rule. First, worke for the even number, contained in that question, or given price according

A generall  
Rule.



ding as you have learned, and then afterwards for the one odde shilling, take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the summe given to be multiplied, omitting the first prickt place, as was taught for the working of one shilling in my first Rule of Practise, and adde those two together, and you shall have your desire.

## Examples.

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| At 3 s. the yeard, what | 7539 yards?    |
| 2 s.                    | 753 ——— 18     |
| 1 s.                    | 376 ——— 19     |
| maketh pounds.          | 1130 ——— 17 s. |

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| At 7 s. the Ell, what | 7539?       |
| 5 s.                  | 7539        |
|                       | 2261 ——— 14 |
| 2 s.                  | 376 ——— 19  |
| maketh pounds         | 6238 ——— 13 |

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| At 13 s. the yard, what | 7534?      |
| 10 s.                   | 3767. 0    |
| 2 s.                    | 753. 8     |
| 1 s.                    | 376. 14    |
| maketh pounds           | 4897 ——— 2 |

And thus have I abridged into these two rules how to bring any nūber of shillings whatsoever they be, into pounds, with a briefer Method, then ever yet hath been published which I commend unto thy friendly censure and judgement in the use and practise thereof.

Note this well..

If one cost 6s. 3d. what

6s.

4d.

1d.

maketh pounds

1231 ?

369 — 6

20 — 10 — 4

5 — 2 — 7

394 — 18 — 11

At 14s. 2 d. what

14s.

2d.

maketh pounds

2815 ?

1977 — 10

23 — 10 — 10

2001 — 0 — 10

At 16s. 4d. what

16s.

4d.

maketh pounds

2531 ?

2024 — 16

24 — 3 — 8d.

2066 — 19 — 8

At 3s. the Pistolet, what  
maketh pounds

8325 ?

1248 — 15s

6 At 7s. the Crown, what

6519 ?

2284 — 3s.

6567 ?

At 9s. the piece, what  
maketh pounds.

2955 — 3s.

These three last questions may seeme something harder, yet they are easie enough, if you mark them well, If I should explain them, then are they too easie. Therefore I leave them to whet the minds of the desirous.

10 Rule.

**I**tem when any one of the summes, which is to be multiplied, is composed of many Denominations, and the given number but of one figure alone; then shall you multiply all the Denominations of the other summe

summe by the same one figure, beginning first with that summe which is least in value toward your right hand, and bring the product of those pence into shillings, and the product of the shillings into pounds, as by this example appeareth.

At 3 li. 7s. 4d. a yard, what are 9 worth ?  
maketh pounds. 30--6s--0d.

**B**Ut if any of the summes that are to be multiplied, there be a broken number ; First worke for the <sup>11</sup> Rule. whole according to the instructions that you have learned, and then take such part of the given price, as that broken number beareth in proportion to the price, as in the examples following. After you have wrought for 3s. 6d. for 6d. then are you to take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 3s. 6d. for the  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard, and adde that to the summe : So adding all the 3 products together, which make 43 li. 2s. 9d. the just price of 245 Ells, and thus must you doe of all other.

At 3s. 6d. the Ell, what

3 s.  
6d.

maketh

|     |                       |
|-----|-----------------------|
| 245 | 12                    |
| 36  | — 18                  |
| 6   | — 3                   |
|     | — 1-9                 |
| 43  | — 9 — 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ |

At 16s. 4d. the piece, what

16s.  
4d.

maketh pounds

|    |          |
|----|----------|
| 14 | 4        |
| 11 | — 4      |
| 0  | — 4 — 8  |
|    | — 12 — 3 |
| 12 | — 0 — 11 |

If

If one peice cost 4 li. 3 s.  $6\frac{1}{2}$  d. what 12 pieces ?

|               |    |  |
|---------------|----|--|
| 4 li.         | 48 |  |
| 3 s.          | 1  |  |
| 6 d.          | 16 |  |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 6  |  |
| maketh pounds | 50 |  |
|               | 2  |  |
|               | 6  |  |

*The prooffe.*

If 12 pieces cost 50 li. 2 s. 6 d. what one piece ?  
maketh pounds 4 ——— 3 ———  $6\frac{1}{2}$

14 Rule.

**I**tem, touching the manner how to understand the order of this question, and others the like, first seek how many times 12 is contained in 50, which is 4 times, and so resteth 2 Pound, which 2 Pound converted into shillings, and joyned with the other 2 shillings, maketh 42 shillings : wherein is found 12 three times resteth 6 s. which turned into pence, putting thereto the 6 pence in the first place, it maketh 78, wherein 12 is found sixe times, resteth 6 d. which containeth 12, but  $\frac{1}{2}$  a time, put that  $\frac{1}{2}$  to the 6d. and then the solution is 4 li. 3 s.  $6\frac{1}{2}$  d. as appeareth by the Practise thereof.

15 Rule.

**I**tem. The like is to be done of any thing that is bought or sould after five score to the hundred, or the Quintall. As for example.

If 100 pound cost 27 li. 13 s. 4 d. what one pound ?

27 li.

27 li. — 13s. — 4d.

But to work it more neatly, it is by a little understanding, ended thus.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 27 \text{ li. } \text{---} 13 \text{ s. } \text{---} 4 \text{ d.} \\
 2 \\
 \hline
 \text{s. } 5 \overline{) 53} \\
 \quad 12 \\
 \hline
 1 \overline{) 10} \\
 \quad 53 \\
 \hline
 \text{d. } 6 \overline{) 40} \\
 \quad 100. \text{ or } \frac{2}{5}
 \end{array}$$

Maketh 5s. 6d.

I have wrought this at length for the aid of the young learner, because he should understand how all the multiplication is set down.

Item to the understanding of this & such like questions, the right down line is all the guide, which is pulled down close by 20. as you see in the example, where 27 li. 13s. is reduced all into s. & maketh 553 s.

The 5 towards the left hand being separated with the hanging or right down line, is the just number of shillings, that answereth the question. Nextly, 53s. is multiplied by 12, to reduce them to pence, putting to the 4d. it yeeldeth for the multiplication of the first figure two 110. the one beyond the line towards the left hand, is 1 penny towards the rest of the price: then 53 also multiplied by 1 yeeldeth 53: but the 5 behinde the line towards the left hand, is also 5 pence more, towards the price, which 1 and 5 I adde together under the line, it maketh 6 d. So is there found now as appeareth by the Titles of shillings and pence, 5 s. 6 pence.

Finally. I come now on this side the line towards

27 li. — 13s. — 4d.

20

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{s. } 5 \overline{) 53} \\
 \quad 12 \\
 \hline
 \text{d. } 6 \overline{) 40} \\
 \quad 100
 \end{array}$$

Maketh 5 s. 6<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> d.

the right hand, and under 12 I finde first 10, and then 3, which added together, maketh 40. under which 40, you must put the 100, and it maketh  $\frac{40}{100}$  which abbreviated, commeth to  $\frac{2}{5}$ . So the just price of one pound after 3 score to the hundred, maketh 5 s. 6  $\frac{2}{5}$  d. One example more, and so I will leave this Rule.

If 100 cost 10  $\frac{3}{4}$  d. what 9874?

|                 |     |                     |                 |
|-----------------|-----|---------------------|-----------------|
| 6d              | 246 | 17                  |                 |
| 4d              | 164 | 11                  | 4               |
| $\frac{2}{4}$ d | 20  | 11                  | 5               |
| $\frac{2}{4}$ d | 10  | 5                   | 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 4               |     |                     |                 |
| li.             | 4   | 42                  | 5               |
|                 |     | 20                  |                 |
|                 | 8   | —                   |                 |
| Maketh s.       |     | 45                  |                 |
|                 |     | 12                  |                 |
|                 |     | 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ 91 |                 |
| d.              | 5   | 100   100           |                 |

parts of a penny,

Also the like may bee done of the usuall weights here in *England*, (which is 112, for every hundred weight) in case you know the aliquot parts of a hundred weight, which are these, 56 li. 28 li. 14 li. and 7 li. For 56 li. is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 112 li. 28 li. is the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 112 li. 14 li. is the  $\frac{1}{8}$  and 7 li. is  $\frac{1}{16}$  part.

Therefore for 56 li. take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the summe of the money that 112 li. weight is worth.

For 28 li. take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the summe of money that 112 li. weight is worth.

For 14 li. take the  $\frac{1}{8}$  of the summe that 112 li. is worth.

And for 7 li. the  $\frac{1}{16}$  of the summe of money that 112 li. is worth.

As



As for example ; at 17 li. 19s. the hundreth pounds weight, that is to say, the 112 li. what shall 3 quarters and 7 pound cost ?

|               |            |           |                 |       |
|---------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| 1. C. ———     | 17 li. ——— | 19 s. ——— | 3 q; —          | 7 li. |
| 2 quarterns   | 8 ———      | 19 ———    | 6               |       |
| 1 quartern    | 4 ———      | 9 ———     | 9               |       |
| 7 pounds      | 1 ———      | 2 ———     | 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ |       |
| Maketh pounds | 14 ———     | 11 ———    | 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ |       |

The second Chapter treateth of the Reduction of divers measures to others value by Rules of Practise.



Now will I shew a few examples of practice in reducing of Measures, as Ells, Yards, Braces, Pawnes of Genes, &c. Much more would I have touched but that I feare the Booke will rise to too great a Volume. 18 Rule

In 864 Ells of Antwerpe, how many yards of London ?

|     |     |
|-----|-----|
| 864 | 864 |
| —   | —   |
| 432 | 216 |
| 216 | 648 |
| —   | —   |

maketh 648 yards of London.

**I**tem, in these and such like questions of Flemmish measure, to be brought into yards English, first take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the given number as appeareth in the first example

ample towards your left hand. Then take halfe of that product, or the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the given number, and add these two products together, as they shall be yards English; as by the example you may perceive.

The second example toward your right hand is yet briefer then the first, whose worke is this; Take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the delivered number, and that product subtract out of the given number, and the rest sheweth your desire. Of these two wayes use which you thinke best.

The Proof.

In 648 yards London,  
How many Ells of Antwerpe?

648  
216  
maketh 864 Ells of Antwerpe.

15 Rule. **I**tem, for the understanding of this worke, first take the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of the yards of London, which found addeth that part and the yards together, as appeareth by the Practise, and the product sheweth the Ells of Antwerpe.

Item, in 20 yards of London,  
How many Ells of Antwerpe?  
maketh 426  $\frac{2}{3}$  Ells,

320 yards

106  $\frac{2}{3}$

426  $\frac{2}{3}$  Ells

$\frac{2}{3}$

Proof,

426  $\frac{2}{3}$  Ells,

106  $\frac{2}{3}$

320 yards,

16 Rule.

Other Reductions,

**I**tem, you shall understand, that forasmuch as six braces of Millain, make five Ells of Antwerpe, whereupon according to the Rules of Practise, you may reduce the one into the other, by the like reason aforesaid.

in

in taking the  $\frac{1}{2}$  part & then subtract the same, to make Ells of Antwerpe. And again by the contrary taking the  $\frac{1}{2}$  part with adding the given number, to turn the Ells to Braces. As for example.

In 876 Braces, how many Ells of Antwerpe?

876

The contrary.

146

730 Ells Flemmish.

Ells 730 Antwerpe.

146 Braces.

Ells 730 Antwerpe.

182 $\frac{1}{2}$

Yards 547 $\frac{1}{2}$  English.

Thus appeareth that 876 Braces by Practiee, make 730 Ells Flemmish, which Ells Flemmish reduce into English yards.

So again upon the same first question of Braces, I would know how many yards English they make.

After the rate that 100 Braces are

worth 62  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards.

876 Braces.

438

109 $\frac{1}{2}$

I answer, 547 $\frac{1}{2}$  yards.

Item, To the understanding of this work, and such like, first take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the given Braces, and after take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of that halfe, or the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the given number, and adde them together, and the Products are also yards English.

Item, three Ells of Rochell make 5 Ells at Lisbon. So likewise three Ells at Lions make 5 Ells at Antwerpe.

To worke these & such like, double the Ells of Lions, and the Ells of Rochell, and from their Product subtract the  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and the rest shall be the Ells of Antwerpe, or the Ells of Lisbon.

I Example.

In 63 Ells of Lions,  
how many Ells of Antwerpe?

63

63

126

$\frac{1}{2}$  21

$\frac{1}{2}$

In 100 Ells of Rochell, how many Ells of Lisbon?

110

200

$\frac{1}{2}$  23  $\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. 105 Ells Ant. Ans. 166  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ells of Lisbon.

Touching the prooffe or return of these and such like questions for a generall Rule, you shall first take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the given number: and adde that  $\frac{1}{2}$  and the given number together, and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of that product shall be your desire.

Example.

In 105 Ells of Antwerpe, how many Ells of Lions?

105

21

126

$\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. 63 Ells of Lions.

In 166  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ells of Lisbon, how many Ells of Rochell?

166  $\frac{1}{2}$

33  $\frac{1}{2}$

200

$\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. 100 of Rochell.

Questions

Questions of Factoridge and Interest, brieve  
and truly resolved by the Rule  
of Practice without Time.

1 *Question.*

**A**T 5 shillings *per Centum*, what comes  
8860 li. 15 s. 4d. unto ?

*Answer.* Note li. 22. 15. 03. 10

that 5s. is the fourth of  
20. s. I take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of  
8860 li. 15s. 4d, which

s. 3

20

30

12

0

4

4 23

100|50

makes 22 15 li. 3s. 10d.  
Now the Root is 100,  
which you should divide  
by, so cutting the 2 last fi-  
gures away of the pounds,

od.

you have 22 li. then mul-  
tiply 15 li. by 23s, so adde the 3 unto, you shall  
have 303s. cut away the two last figures, there rest-  
eth 03s. Lastly, there remains 3s. which I multiply  
by 12 to bring into pence, and so I finde od. and  $\frac{45}{100}$   
remaining, which being abbreviated make  $\frac{23}{50}$  parts of  
a peny, so I find that there is gained 22 li. 3s. od  $\frac{23}{50}$   
parts of a peny.  
1448 li. 16s. 8d.

unto ?

2. *Quest.* At 10 s *per cen-  
tum*, what comes.

li. 7. 24. 8. 4.

20.

s. 488

12

180

88

d. 106 10 5  
100 3

*Answer.* Note that 10 s. is  
the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 20s. I take the  $\frac{1}{2}$   
1448 li. 16s. 8d. which  
makes 724 li. 8s. 4d. cut off  
the two last figures, and there  
resteth 7 li. then multiply the  
24 li. by 20s. and adde the  
8s. and it maketh 488s. cut

C c 2

the

the two last figures off, and there resteth 4s. then multiply 88s. by 12 d. and take in 4d. and there resteth 1060d. cut off the two last figures, and there resteth 10d. and  $\frac{60}{100}$  which is  $\frac{3}{5}$  of a peny: so the whole summe is 7 li. 4s. 10  $\frac{3}{5}$  which is the answer to the question.

3. *Quest.* At 15 shillings per centum, what comes,

*Answer.* Note 15. that is  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 20. take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1008 lib. 12 shillings, there resteth 504 li. 6s. then take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  adde them together, the totall will be 756 li. 9s. cut off the 2 last figures, resteth 7 li. then multiply by 20 s. & take in your 9s. it maketh 1129 s. cut off the two last figures, there resteth 11s. then multiply by 12 d. there commeth 348d. cut off the last two figures, there resteth 3d. and  $\frac{48}{100}$  which being abbreviated maketh  $\frac{22}{100}$  parts of a peny, so shall you find 7 li. 11s. 3d.  $\frac{12}{100}$ . which is the answer to the question.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10081.12s.od.unto? \\
 504.6\text{---}0 \\
 252.3\text{---}0 \\
 \hline
 756.9\text{---}0 \\
 20 \\
 \hline
 1129 \\
 12 \\
 \hline
 58 \\
 29 \\
 \hline
 34812412 \\
 1005025
 \end{array}$$

4. *Quest.* At 1 li. per centum, what comes

*Answer.* Cut away the two last figures, and multiply by 20, and 12, and take in your shillings and pence. And you shall finde 8 li. 13 s. 8 pence  $\frac{8}{100}$  as doth appeare by this work.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{li. } 8168 \text{ li. } 13s.4d. \\
 \text{unto?} \\
 \begin{array}{r}
 20 \\
 \hline
 s. 1373 \\
 12 \\
 \hline
 150 \\
 73 \\
 \hline
 d. 8804 \\
 1005
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

5 *Quest.*



# Questions of Factoridge.

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5. *Quest.* At 2 li. per centum, what comes

5608 li. 6s. 8d. unto?

*Answer.* Multiply the whole summe by two lib. thus, then cut off the two last figures of your pounds, as you did before, and you shall finde 112 pound, then multiply by 20 and by 12, taking in your shillings and pence, and you shall finde 112 li. 3s. 4 d. which is either for Factor or Broker, &c.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2 \\
 \hline
 112 \overline{) 1613.4} \\
 \underline{29} \\
 333 \\
 \underline{12} \\
 70 \\
 \underline{33} \\
 400 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

800 li. 18s. 2d. unto?

6. *Question.* At 3 pound, per centum, what comes

*Answer.* Multiply the sum by 3 pound, thus ; then cut off the two last figures, and you shall finde 24 pound, then multiply by 20, and by 12. taking your shillings and d. and you shall finde 0s. 6 d.  $\frac{2}{3}$  parts of a peny, which is something above a half-peny.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3 \\
 \hline
 24 \overline{) 02.14.6.} \\
 \underline{120} \\
 054 \\
 \underline{12} \\
 14 \\
 \underline{54} \\
 615427 \\
 \hline
 10050 \\
 298 \text{ li. } 15\text{s. } 9\text{d. unto?}
 \end{array}$$

7. *Question.* At four per centum, what comes

*Answer.* Multiply by 4 li. thus, cut off the two last figures, Multiply by 20, and by 12. taking in your shillings and pence, and you shall finde 11 li. 19 s. 0d.  $\frac{2}{3}$  parts of a peny, which is something above a farthing.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4 \\
 \hline
 11 \overline{) 95.3.0.} \\
 \underline{20} \\
 1903 \\
 \underline{12} \\
 06 \\
 \hline
 03 \\
 036189 \\
 \hline
 10050.25 \\
 Cc 3
 \end{array}$$

8 *Quest.*

8 *Quest.* At 5 li.  $\frac{1}{4}$  per centum, what comes

*Answer,* Multiply by 5 li. thus, then take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe and place the figures even, then take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of that  $\frac{1}{2}$  & adde all three summs together, cut off the two last figures, then multiply by 20. and by 12. taking in your shillings, and pence, and you shall find 210 l. 7 s. 7 d.  $\frac{1}{10}$  parts of a peny, which is the answer to the question.

3658 li. 16s. 8d.  
unto 5

|       |     |       |
|-------|-----|-------|
| 18294 | 03  | 4     |
| 1829  | 08  | 4     |
| 914   | 14  | 2     |
| 210   | 38  | 05 10 |
|       | 120 |       |
| 7     | 65  |       |
|       | 12  |       |
| 130   |     |       |
| 66    |     |       |
| 790   |     |       |
| 100   |     |       |

9 *Quest.* At 6 l.  $\frac{1}{2}$  per centum, what comes

*Answer,* Multiply by 6 li. and then take  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, adde them both together, then multiply by 20, and by 12, taking in your odd shillings and pence, and you shall find 369 li. 10s. 0d.  $\frac{1}{20}$  parts of a peny, which is the answer to your question.

5684 li. 12s. 6d.  
unto 6

|       |    |   |
|-------|----|---|
| 34107 | 15 | 0 |
| 2842  | 06 | 3 |
| 36950 | 01 | 3 |
|       | 20 |   |
| 05    |    |   |
| 01    |    |   |
| 15    | 12 |   |
| 100   | 20 |   |

10 *Quest.* At 7 li.  $\frac{1}{2}$  per centum, what comes

*Answer,* Multiply by 7 li. then take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  adde them together, cut off the two last figures, then multiply by 20, you shall finde 290 li. 3s. The answer to the question.

3868 li. 13s. 4d.  
unto 7

|        |    |   |
|--------|----|---|
| 27080  | 13 | 4 |
| 1934   | 06 | 8 |
| 290150 | 0  |   |
|        | 20 |   |
| 300    |    |   |

11 *Quest.*

# Questions of Interest.

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II *Quest.* At 8 li. per 2560l. 17s. 9d. unto?  
Centum, what comes

*Answer,* Multiply 8 li. cut  
off the two last figures, mul-  
tiply by 20, and by 12, and  
you shall finde 204 li. 17s.  
5d.  $\frac{1}{3}$  parts of a peny.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2560 \text{ l. } 17 \text{ s. } 9 \text{ d. } \times 8 \\ \hline 20487.02.0 \\ 20 \\ 17 \overline{) 42} \\ 12 \\ \hline 84 \\ 42 \\ \hline 504 \overline{) 21} \\ 10050.25 \end{array}$$

## Questions of Interest with Time; wrought by Practice.

### I Question.

AT 6 per Centum what  
comes unto for 1 month

*Answer,* Multiply by 6 lib.  
there commeth 2813 li. 00 s.  
od. then take for 1 moneth  
the  $\frac{1}{12}$  of the Totall, and you  
shall finde 234 li. 8. 4d. of  
the two last figures of the li.  
Multiply by 20 & by 12, tak-  
ing in your odde money, and  
you shall finde 2 li. 6. 10 d.  $\frac{2}{3}$   
parts of a peny, which is the  
answer to the question.

$$\begin{array}{r} 468 \text{ li. } 16 \text{ s. } 8 \text{ d. } \\ 2813.00.0 \\ \hline \text{li. } 234.08.4 \\ 20 \\ \hline \text{s. } 688 \\ 12 \\ \hline 180 \\ 88 \\ \hline \text{d. } 1016 \text{ lo } 13 \\ 1010 \text{ } 15 \end{array}$$

2. *Quest.* At 7 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  per centum, what comes unto for 2 months.

*Answer.* Multiply by 7 pound, then take  $\frac{1}{2}$ , adde them two together, then for your two months take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Totall, multiply by 20 and 12, taking in your odde shillings and pence, and you shall finde 47 pounds 10 shillings 1 peny  $\frac{2}{3}$  parts of a peny, which is the answer to the question.

3800 li. 12s. 8d.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 7 \\
 \hline
 26604. \text{ 08 } 8 \\
 1900. \text{ 06 } 4 \\
 \hline
 28504. \text{ 15 } 0 \\
 4750 \text{ 15 } 10 \\
 \hline
 20 \\
 \hline
 1015 \\
 \hline
 12 \\
 \hline
 30 \\
 16 \\
 \hline
 119101 \\
 \hline
 10101
 \end{array}$$

3. *Question,* At 8 pound per centum, what comes unto for 3 months.

*Answer.* Multiply by 8 pound, then take for your 3 monthes  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Totall, multiply by 20, and by 12, adding in your odde shillings and pence, and you shall find 197 pound 5 shillings 11 pence,  $\frac{1}{2}$  parts of a peny, your demand.

9864 li. 16s. 4d.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 8 \\
 \hline
 78918. \text{ 10 } 8 \\
 197 \text{ 29. } 12 \text{ 8} \\
 \hline
 20 \\
 \hline
 5 \text{ 92} \\
 \hline
 12 \\
 \hline
 192 \\
 93 \\
 \hline
 1112 \text{ 613} \\
 \hline
 10050125
 \end{array}$$

# Questions of Interest,

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4 *Quest.* At 6 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  per centum, what comes unto for 4 months.

6080 li. 13s. od.  
6

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|-------|------|
| 36483 | 18 0 |
| 3040  | 06 6 |
| <hr/> |      |
| 39524 | 04 6 |

*Answer,* Multiply by 6 li. Then take  $\frac{1}{2}$ , adde both together, then for your 4 months take  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of the whole, cut away your two last figures, multiply by 20, and by 12, adde in your odde shillings, and pence, and you shall finde 131 pounds, 14 shillings 11 pence  $\frac{1}{2}$  parts of a peny, your demand.

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|-------|-----|--------|
| 131   | 74  | 14. 10 |
|       | 20  |        |
| 14    | 94  |        |
|       | 12  |        |
| <hr/> |     |        |
|       | 188 |        |

|    |        |
|----|--------|
| 94 |        |
| 11 | 38 119 |
|    | <hr/>  |
|    | 100150 |

5 *Question,* At 8 per centum, what comes unto for 3 months.

3020 li. oos. ood.  
8

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|-------|-------|
| 24160 | 00 00 |
| 6040  | 00 00 |
| 4026  | 13 04 |
| <hr/> |       |

*Answer,* Multiply by 8 li. then for 3 months take  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Totall, cut off the 2 last figures of your pounds, Multiply by 20 and by 12, adde in your odde shillings and pence, and you shall find 100 pound 13 shillings 4 pence, your demand.

|     |          |
|-----|----------|
| 101 | 66 13 04 |
|     | 20       |
| 13  | 33       |
|     | <hr/>    |
|     | 12       |
|     | 70       |
|     | 33       |
|     | <hr/>    |
|     | 4100     |

6 *Quest.*

6 Questions, At 8 per Centum, what comes unto for 6 months. 8060 li. 12s. od.

64484. 16s.

322 | 42. 08. 0

20

8 | 48

12

96

48

5 | 76 | 38 19  
100 | 5 | 25

*Answer*, Multiply by 8 li. then for your 6 months take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Totall, cut off the two last figures of your pounds. Multiply by 12. taking in your odde shillings and pence, and you shall finde 322 lib. 8s. 5d.  $\frac{12}{25}$  parts of a peny, your desire.

7 Quest. At 8 li. per Centum, what comes unto for 7 months.

5896. 00 od.  
8

47168 0 0

15722. 0. 0

11792. 13. 4

275 | 14. 13. 4.

20

2 | 93

12

190

93

11 | 2 | 10 | 11

10 | 15

*Answer*, Multiply by 8 li. then for your 7 months take the  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Totall, cut off the two last figures of your pounds, then multiply by 20 and 12, taking in your odde mony, and you shall finde 275 li. 2s. 11 d.  $\frac{1}{2}$  your desire.

8 Quest.



8 *Question*, At 8 per centum, what comes unto for 8 months.

*Answer*, Multiply by 8 li. then for 8 months take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the totall, cut off the two last figures of your pounds, then multiply by 20, and by 12 adde in your odde money, and you shall finde 116 li. 5 shillings, 9 pence,  $\frac{2}{25}$  your desire.

3680 li. 08s. od.  
8

|        |     |      |
|--------|-----|------|
| 29443. | 04  | 0    |
| 9814.  | 08  | 0    |
| 9814.  | 08  | 0    |
| 116    | 28  | 16 0 |
|        | 20  |      |
| 5      | 76  |      |
|        | 12  |      |
|        | 152 |      |
|        | 76  |      |

|     |    |    |    |   |
|-----|----|----|----|---|
| 9   | 12 | 16 | 13 | 1 |
| 100 | 50 | 12 | 5  | 1 |

9 *Quest.* At 8 li. per centum, what comes unto for 9 months.

*Answer*, Multiply by 8 pound, then for your nine moneths take  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the whole summe, cut off the two last figures of the pounds, then multiply by 20, and by 12. taking in your odd shillings and pence, and you shall find 221 pounds, 1 shilling 11 pence,  $\frac{7}{25}$  which is something above a farthing.

3684 li. 19s. od.  
8

|        |     |      |
|--------|-----|------|
| 29479. | 12  | 0    |
| 14739. | 16  | 0    |
| 7369.  | 18  | 0    |
| 221    | 09. | 14 0 |
|        | 20  |      |
| 1      | 94  |      |
|        | 112 |      |
|        | 188 |      |
|        | 94  |      |

|     |    |     |   |
|-----|----|-----|---|
| 11  | 28 | 114 | 7 |
| 100 | 50 | 12  | 5 |

10 *Quest.*

10 *Quest.* At  $6\frac{1}{4}$  per centum, what comes unto for 10 months.

*Answer,* Multiply by 6 pound, then take the  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 100 pound, adde all three summes together, then for the 10 months take  $\frac{1}{2}$  &  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Totall, add them together, cut off the two last figures of the pounds, multiply by 20, and 12, adding in your shillings and pence, cutting off the last figures of your shillings and pence, you shall finde 5 pound 12 shillings, 6 pence, your desire.

11 *Quest.* At 8 pound per centum, what comes unto for 11 months.

*Answer,* Multiply by 8 pound, then for 11 months take  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ , from the Totall, adde all three summes together; cut off the two last figures of your pounds. Multiply by 20 and by 12, adding in of your shillings and pence, cutting off the two last figures of your shillings and pence, and you shall finde 65 pound 0 shillings 7 d.  $\frac{1}{2}$  parts of a penny, your desire.

100. li. os. od.  
6

600. 0 0

50. 0 0

25. 0 0

675. 0 0

337. 10 0

225. 00 0

562. 10. 0.

20.

1250

12

100

50

6100

886 li. 16s. od.  
8

7094 08 0

2364 16 0

2364 16 0

1773 12 0

6503 04 0

20

064

12

128

64

768 34 17

100, 50, 25

12 *Quest.*

12 *Quest.* At 8 pound  
percentum, what comes unto  
for 12 months.

9080 li. 12s. 2d.

*Answer,* Multiply by 8  
pound, cut off the two last fi-  
gures of the pounds, Multiply  
by 20, and by 12, adding in  
your shillings and pence, cut  
off the two last figures of your  
shillings, and the two last of your pence, and you shall  
finde 726 l. 8s. 1 d.  $\frac{12}{100}$  parts of a peny your desire.

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 726 \overline{) 44.174} \\ \underline{20} \\ 8 \overline{) 97} \\ \underline{12} \\ 1168 \quad 34 \overline{) 17} \\ \underline{10050} 25 \end{array}$$

The third Chapter teacheth of the Order and  
work of the Rule of *Three* in broken numbers  
after the Trade of *Merchants*, digressing  
something from *Master Record*, which is  
comprehended in three Rules.

**N**ow, that I have somewhat intreated of the Rules  
of Practise, I will give a few instructions, after  
my simple order, for the working of the Rule of Three  
in broken numbers, wherein I shall need to say the lesse,  
because I hope the studious Learner, that hath travel-  
led any thing in the Grounds of Arts, is not un-  
furnished of knowledge capable to understand me.

But before I deliver any instructions for broken  
Numbers, I will propose a question which shall be  
wrought three sundry wayes, thereby to shew as it  
were, three Degrees of Comparison : how farre  
the Rule of Three in broken, for more speed  
of worke, differeth from the whole. which

## The Golden Rule of 3.

I rather set downe for a view, that the studious herein may be more desirous to attaine broken, leaving any more to discourse in Dialogue forme, but onely to give instructions where need is : and in the rest to put forth the questions, with their answers.

*My first question is thus.*

If one yard cost 6s. 8d. what are 789 worth at that rate?

**The first way.**

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{I} \quad \text{6s.} \quad \text{8d.} \quad \text{789} \\ \quad \quad \text{12} \quad \quad \text{80} \\ \hline \quad \quad \text{80} \quad \quad \text{63 120d.} \end{array}$$

Here the Product of the summe are pence, according to the nature of the middle number.

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$$63x20(5260(263$$

2222 2220

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The second way.

I answer ——— 263 li.

I — 6 $\frac{2}{3}$  s — 789

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3

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15780 s.

Here the Product of the summes are shillings according to the nature of the middle number.

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3333 2220

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### The third way

~~I —————  $\frac{1}{3}$  ————— 789~~

3

I

I

789

**Here**

Here the Product is pounds, according to the title of the second number.

789 (263

333

I answer, 263 li.

Now that you have seen the three former vertues of the Rule of three; whose Products have first brought forth pence, next shillings, and lastly pounds, I will deliver three nores in order following: and with them a dozen questions, that shall shew the work of the Rule of three in broken Numbers or Fractions.

1 The first foure shall be sundry questions of a Note these three well

2 The second foure shall be of two Fractions comming in the second or third place.

3 The third foure of Fractions in all three places.

*Note, upon the first Rule for a Fraction comming in the second place.*

*My first Question is this.*

*If one yard cost me 3 shillings 4 pence, what are 756 worth at that price?* 1 Rule.

In setting down the question to perform the work, The first I turn foure pence into the part of a shilling, which is variety. and then the question standeth thus:

1 — — —  $3\frac{4}{8}$  — — — 756.

To the ready working of this question, and all such other like, my first note is this, which take for a generall Rule; That when any one Fraction shall come,

come, either in the second or third place, that the Denominator of that Fraction or Fractions, must alwayes be brought unto the Number, or Numerator of the first place; and thereby multiply the one into the other.

Note this. And this benefit is alwayes gotten by the vertue of bringing the Denominator of the second Numbers Fractions unto the first place: For the Fraction in the middle number is now released: and the Product that cometh of the Multiplication, is of the nature and like the denomination of the whole number in the second place, which here are shillings.

Whereupon now to worke the Question, I bring 3, the Denominator of the Fraction in the second place, unto the first Number 1, with a line set under thus  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the third under it thus,  $\frac{1}{3}$  saying, once 3, is 3 my Divisor: that done, reduce  $3 \frac{1}{3}$  saying, 3 times 3 is 9, and the other 1 over 3 make 10, my second number in the *Rule of Three*, by which 10 I doe multiply my last number 756, as appeareth by the worke thereof, and it yeeldeth 7560 shillings, my Dividend.

Then dividing 7560 by 3, my Divisor, it yeeldeth in quotient 2520 shillings. which maketh 126 pounds, as appeareth here most plainly, both by the Example, and the worke.

At 3s. 4d, the yard, what 756 yards?

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \text{ ————— } 3 \frac{1}{3} \text{ ————— } 756 \\ 3 \qquad \qquad \qquad 10 \qquad \qquad \qquad 10 \\ \hline 75908. \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 126 \\ 333 \overline{) 7560} \\ \underline{333} \phantom{0} \\ 2220 \phantom{0} \\ \underline{2220} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

I answer 126 li.  
Y<sup>e</sup>



Yet otherwise upon the same question, altering the price now into the proportion it beareth to a pound, for the 3s. 4d. is  $\frac{1}{6}$  part of a pound: which Example first standeth thus as appeareth on the left hand, and afterwards wrought as appeareth on the right hand.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{I} \text{---} \frac{1}{6} \text{---} 756 \quad 6 \quad \frac{1}{6} \text{---} \text{---} 756 \\
 \hline
 \text{I} \text{---} \frac{1}{6} \text{---} 756 \quad 6 \quad \frac{1}{6} \text{---} \text{---} 756 \\
 \hline
 \text{I} \text{---} \frac{1}{6} \text{---} 756 \quad 6 \quad \frac{1}{6} \text{---} \text{---} 756
 \end{array}$$

The second  
riety. 72

As soon as I have carried 6 the Denominator of my middle number unto my first place, as before hath been taught, I pull down 1, the numerator of 6, with a line under 6, thus.  $\frac{6}{1}$ , and that one in custome I pull down in sight; being the figure that I will multiply my third or last number by, according to the tenour of the *Rule of Three*. And because one can neither multiply nor yet Divide (though here it is set down in form of multiplication, the rather for your understanding) the Product of the multiplication according to the declaration of this my first Rule or Note, is converted into the Title of my second number, which here are pounds. Now followeth the division performed in my Divisor 6, to make an end of that question.

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756 (126. which maketh 126 li. as before.  
666

And thus much for the variety in working that question.

And now followeth another.

*My second Question.*

If one yard of Cotten cost  $8\frac{1}{4}$  d. what 859?

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{I} \text{ ————— } 8\frac{1}{4} \text{ ————— } 859 \\
 4 \qquad \qquad \qquad 33 \qquad \qquad \qquad 33 \\
 \hline
 2577 \\
 2577 \\
 \hline
 28347
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{I} \\
 \text{I} | 32 \text{r} \quad \text{I} | \text{I} \quad \text{li.} \quad \text{s.} \quad \text{d.} \\
 28347 \text{ (7086 (590 (29 ——— 10 ——— } 6\frac{1}{4} \\
 4444 \text{ 1222 220}
 \end{array}$$

*This Question was also wrought like the first, and bringeth forth 29 li. 10 s.  $6\frac{1}{4}$  d. the price of 859 yards.*

*My third Question.*

If seven pounds of any thing cost 3 li. — 10s. what comes 987 pounds to?

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{li.} \\
 7 \text{ ————— } 3\frac{1}{2} \text{ ————— } 987 \\
 2 \text{ ————— } 7 \\
 \hline
 14 \qquad \qquad \qquad 7 \\
 \hline
 6909
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 00 \\
 14 \text{r} \\
 234 | 7 \\
 \hline
 6909 \text{ (493 } \frac{7}{14} \frac{1}{2} \\
 1444 \\
 \text{xx}
 \end{array}$$

I answer, 483 li. — 10s.

# Notes upon my second Rule for two Fractions coming in the second and third place.

*My first Question is this.*

**I**F one Ell cost 13 s. — 4d. what halfe a quarter or  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an Ell?

Answer, *First bring 13 s. — 4d. into the parts of a pound, which is  $\frac{2}{3}$ , and then will the question stand thus.*

$$1 \text{ — } \frac{2}{3} \text{ li. — } \frac{1}{8}$$

**I**Tem, for the performance of this work, doe as before was taught in the first Rule: first bring 3 the Denominator of the second Fraction unto your first number 1, setting a line under it thus:  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Saying once 3 is 3, that done, bring 8 the Denominator of the third Fraction, setting it under 3, and multiply them together, saying, 3 times 8 maketh 24 which 24 is your Divisor. (Now have you done with the Denominator 8) therefore you shall put a line under thus,  $\frac{1}{3}$ . And the like line also under 8. setting or pulling down under them their own numerators, that is, 2 under 3, and also 1 under 8, as appeareth in the Example, which numerators for a generall rule evermore to be pulled downe of custome in sight, to multiply the one by the other, according to the tenour of the Rule of Three. Then I multiply the one by the other, saying, once 2 is 2, which signifieth 2 pound, being of the nature and like denomination of the middle number, which 2 pound is to be reduced into shillings, otherwise it cannot be divided by my first number 24.

Then dividing 40, by 24, the quotient bringeth

forth  $1\frac{2}{3}$ . So much is  $\frac{1}{3}$  of an Ell worth after that rate. Otherwise, although 2 pound could not be divided by 24, yet it might have been abbreviated to  $\frac{1}{12}$  of a pound: which is worth 1s. 8d, as before.

| li.             |               |                  |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| $1 \frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{1}{3}$ (1 |
| 3               | 2             | 2 (6             |
| 8               | 20            | 40 (12s.         |
| 24              | 40            | 24               |

### Second Question.

**I**f one pound of any weight cost 13 shillings 4 pence, what are  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the pound worth after that rate?

*Answer,* Reduce the 13 shillings 4 pence into the parts of a pound: which is  $\frac{2}{3}$ , and then will the question stand thus.

$$1 \frac{2}{3} \text{ li.} \quad 1 \frac{2}{3} \text{ — } ?$$

**I**tem, for the understanding of this, if you mark well the last Example, this and the rest lieth open, and needs small instruction. For as you did last, so again, bring the Denominator of the second and third Fraction, unto the first figure 1, multiplying the one into the other; which maketh also 24, your Divisor.

Note.

Then making a line under 3 thus, 3 and a line under 8 thus, 8 and pulling downe their Numerators under each figure, that is 2 under 3, and 7 under 8, which as I said before for a generall rule, I pull down of custome in sight, to be the two Numbers, that of duty ought to be multiplied together; which done, I bring 2, being the lesser figure under 7, multi-

multiplying them together, it maketh 14, which are of the nature of the middle number : that is to wit, pounds, which 14 cannot aptly be divided among 4. therefore are reduced into *shillings*, as is plainly to be seen in the example : then 280 *shillings* parted among 24 yeeldeth for his *quotient* 11s. 8d. your desire and the just price of  $\frac{7}{8}$  of an *Ell*. Otherwise 14. though it could not be divided by 24. might by *Mediation* or *Divison* in broken *Numbers* have been divided or abbreviated to  $\frac{7}{3}$ , which in effect being reduced to his known parts, maketh 11s. 8d. as before. But my good will and meaning is to aid young beginners: therefore have I reduced the 14 pound into *shillings*, which is the easier way.

Now followeth the example.

|               |                                      |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 ——— 2 ——— 7 | 1                                    |
| <u>3</u>      | <u>2</u>                             |
| 8             | 4 (6                                 |
| <u>24</u>     | 280 (11 $\frac{2}{3}$ s.             |
|               | 224                                  |
|               | 20                                   |
|               | 280 s. I answer, 11 $\frac{2}{3}$ s. |

The third example.

If one yard cost me 2s.—6d. what 345  $\frac{1}{4}$  yards?

*Answer*, First put 6d. into the parts of a shilling, and then the question standeth thus :

$$1 \text{ ——— } 2\frac{1}{2} \text{ ——— } 345\frac{1}{4}$$

*Item*, to the ready understanding of this, and all such

such like, according as before hath been declared, bring the *Denominators* of the second and third *Fractions* unto the first place, multiplying them the one into the other, all which make 8 for the common *Divisor*. Then next reduce your second number : saying, two times 2 is 4. and 1 is 5. as was taught in the Example aforesaid. Lastly, reduce your third number  $345 \frac{1}{4}$  all into fourths, and they make 1381. which 1381 is to be multiplied by 5. according to the tenour of the *Rule of Three* : which done, maketh 6905 shillings, and divided by 8. your *Divisor* yeeldeth in Quotient  $863 \frac{1}{8}$  shillings, which maketh in pounds 43 pound, 3 shillings,  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  : and so much are the  $345 \frac{1}{4}$  yards worth at that price.

The same question wrought again by two shillings 6 pence, is now converted into the parts of a pound, and standeth thus :

$$1 \text{ --- } \frac{1}{8} \text{ --- } 345 \frac{1}{4}.$$

Item, After I have brought here my second and third *denominator* unto my first place, and found 32 to be my *divisor* ; having thus finished my first place with all things unto him belonging (which is meant of bringing and multiplying the *denominators* of the second and third *Fractions* into him) I then goe in hand to see what is to do in my second place, where presently of custome I pull downa my numerator 1 under 8. being the figure in sight that shall multiply my third number.

Then lastly, I reduce  $345 \frac{1}{4}$  all into fourths as afore was practised. which maketh 1381 the which 1381 I am to multiply by 1 my second number, they are nothing increased, but by the *Metamorphosis* of



of my work they are now 1381. pound, being of the nature of the middle number, as I have often shewed you, which divided by 32 my divisor yeeldeth 43 pound, and  $\frac{5}{32}$ , which  $\frac{5}{32}$  of a pound reduced into known numbers, make 3 shillings 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  pence, as before.

*Example.*

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{I} \quad \frac{\frac{1}{8}}{\text{I}} \quad 345\frac{1}{4} \quad 105 \\
 32 \quad \quad \quad \text{I} \quad 1381 \quad (43 \quad \frac{5}{32} \\
 \quad \quad \quad 1381 \quad 522 \\
 \quad \quad \quad 3
 \end{array}$$

**N**OW follow foure other questions, which are in all three places broken numbers; or whole and broken together.

*Item*, First, for the finding out of your *Divisor*, you shall take this for a most certaine, and generall Rule: That you must multiply the *Numerator* of the first number in the question, by the *Denominator* of the second: And that *Product* againe, by the *Denominator* of the third: And the totall thereof shall be your *Divisor*.

Secondly, for a generall rule to find out your *Dividend*, multiply the *Denominator* of the first number by the *Numerator* of the second, and the whole thereof by the *Numerator* of the third. And the totall thereof shall evermore be your *Dividend*.

Now for an example, I propose this question, thereby to make my meaning more plaine, and to shew you, as I have done in the rest, the manner and order of the work.

If  $\frac{2}{3}$  of any weight or measure cost  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a pound, or  
D d 4                      20 shillings,

203, what are  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the like weight or measure worth after that rate?

Example.

$$\frac{2}{3} \text{ --- } \frac{1}{4} \text{ --- } \frac{1}{2}$$

**I**tem, for the more plainer understanding hereof, and all other the like in broken Numbers: First, you shall pull down two, the *Numerator* of the first Number or Fraction, with a line under, thus  $3\frac{1}{2}$ : that done, according as you have learned before, bring 6, the *Denominator* of the second Fraction, and set it under two, multiplying the one into the other, which maketh 12. Then lastly, bring 8. the *denominator* of the third Fraction, and set it under 12. multiplying that 12 by 8. which amounteth to 96. or else for more brief, multiply 6 by 8, saying, six times 8 makes 48. which 48 set under 2. and multiply the one into the other, it maketh 96. as before. And this 96 is the first number in the *Rule of Three*. That shall alwayes for a most generall Rule be your *divisor*.

Secondly, to work for your *dividend*, you shall, (as it hath beene sufficiently declared before) pull down 5. the *numerator* of your second Fraction, and set it under 6, with a line under thus 6.

That done (as you know) you are to pull down 3, the *numerator* of the third Fraction, and set it under 8, with a line under it, thus, 8, multiplying the one into the other, according to the Tenour of the *Rule of Three*; which maketh 15. Then according to my Note, forget not to bring the *denominator* of the first Fraction, which is three, under 15. and multiply them together, which maketh 45. which 45 is your *dividend*, and are of the nature of *denomi-*

*denomination* of the middle number, as I have taught you before : And therefore are 44 li. which aptly cannot be divided by 96. Therefore you shall reduce the 45 li. into s. as you see performed in the Example, which amounteth to 90s. which divided by 96 your *divisor* it yeeldeth 9s. and  $\frac{15}{20}$  of a shilling, which in lesser termes is  $\frac{3}{4}$  : which  $\frac{3}{4}$  in mony maketh 4½d. and so much will the aforesaid  $\frac{1}{8}$  cost, as by the work following shall appear.

*The Example:*

|                                                           |                                                                     |                                                           |                      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 3 \overline{) 2} \\ 6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 6 \overline{) 5} \\ 5 \end{array}$           | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 8 \overline{) 3} \\ 5 \end{array}$ |                      |
| $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 8 \\ 96 \end{array}$              | $\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ 3 \\ 45 \end{array}$                        | $\begin{array}{r} 13 \\ 916 \\ 900 \\ 96 \end{array}$     | $(9\frac{15}{20})s.$ |
|                                                           | <hr style="width: 100%;"/> $\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 900 \end{array}$ |                                                           |                      |

Otherwise though 45 could not be divided by 96. yet by Division in broken numbers it might have been abbreviated to  $\frac{15}{20}$  of a pound, which reduced into known parts, will make 9s. 4½d. as before.

*Now my second example shall be the proof of this question.*

*If  $\frac{3}{4}$  yards cost  $\frac{15}{20}$  of a pound, or 20 shillings, what shall  $\frac{1}{2}$  cost ?*

*Answer,* Work as was taught you before, and you shall have your desire.

Here

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{11}{32} \quad \frac{2}{3} \\
 \hline
 3 \quad 15 \quad 2 \\
 \hline
 32 \quad 2 \\
 \hline
 96 \quad 30 \\
 \hline
 3 \quad 8 \\
 \hline
 288 \quad 240
 \end{array}$$

Here as appeareth by the work, the Multiplication being ended, 240 is to be divided by 288, which to some perchance may seem hard, yet notwithstanding is the work good. Therefore abbreviate 240. by 288. as you see here is practised : and the end of your abbreviation shall come to  $\frac{240}{288} = \frac{5}{6}$  your desire,  $\frac{240}{288} = \frac{5}{6}$ .

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Otherwise, } 240 \ 120 \ 60 \ 30 \ 5 \\
 288 \ 144 \ 72 \ 36 \ 6
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Otherwise, } 340 \ 40 \ 5 \\
 288 \ 48 \ 6
 \end{array}$$

### The third Question.

If  $\frac{3}{4}$ ells cost 13s. — d. what 156  $\frac{1}{2}$  ells ?

*Answer,* To work this question the shortest way : reduce 13 shillings 4 pence, into the parts of a pound, which is  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

Then as you did afore, after you have set down the question, the *Numerator* of the first *Fraction* 3 is pulled down under 4. and *Denominators* of the other two *Fractions* multiplied into him, which maketh 18. your *Divisor*.

Then the *Numerators* of the second *Fraction* is pulled downe, under 3 in custome now in sight, ready to multiply my third number, by which is performed as soon as the last numbers 156  $\frac{1}{2}$  is reduced into halves.

Then

Then lastly, I multiply that product by 4 the *Denominator* of the *Fraction* : it yeeldeth 2504. which I divide by 18. and my quotient is 139. pound, and  $\frac{2}{18}$  or  $\frac{1}{9}$  of a pound remaining, which is worth 2s—2 $\frac{2}{3}$ d. And so much will 156 $\frac{1}{2}$  Ells cost, as by the work following doth appear.

|    |   |                   |      |                   |
|----|---|-------------------|------|-------------------|
| 3  | 2 | 156 $\frac{1}{2}$ | x    |                   |
| 4  | 3 | 313               | 74   |                   |
| 3  | 2 | 2                 | 1762 | li.               |
| 6  |   | 626               | 2504 | 139 $\frac{1}{9}$ |
| 18 |   | 4                 | 1888 |                   |
|    |   | 2504              | 11   |                   |

The fourth question.

If 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Ells cost 1 $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds, what cometh 29 $\frac{1}{4}$  Ells to?

Item, to the workmanship of this question, first reduce your second *number* in saying, three times 1 is 3, and two is 5, Then bring the *multiplication* of the *Denominators* of the second and third *Fractions* which maketh 12. and multiply that 12 by 5 your first *numerator*, and it maketh 60. which is your *divisor*.

Then the *Reduction* of the second Number, which is 5, multiplied by 117 the Product of the last numbers reduction, make 585, which 585 yet resteth to be multiplied by 2, the *Denominator* of the *Fraction* in the first place, yeeldeth 1170, which divided by your *Divisor*, 60. yeeldeth 19. pound, 10 shilling, as appeareth by the work thereof.

Thus having now touched the 12 questions whereof I first pretended, which with diligence and oft practise,

practise, I trust are sufficient to aid the desirous unto the working of any broken numbers. I will now treat of divers necessary rules incident unto traffick as hereafter followeth.

### The fourth Chapter teacheth of losse, and gaine, in the Trade of Merchandise.

**I**F one yard cost 6s.—8d. and the same is sold againe for 8s.—6d. the question is what is gained in one hundred pounds laying out on such commodities :

*Answer,* The *Rule of Three* direct, applyed two manner of wayes to doe the same : the one is to say, If  $6\frac{2}{3}$  give  $8\frac{1}{2}$ , what giveth 100 ? *Multiply* and *Divide*, and looke what your quotient bringeth forth, above your laying out, is the neat gaines and solution to your question : If you follow the worke, your solution will bring forth 127li.—10s. which is 27li.—10. more then your principall, and so much is gained in the 100 pounds laying out.

*Item,* to work in the other way, which I take the nearest, seek the difference betwixt the just price and the other price, which is one shilling ten pence, then say by the *Rule of Three*.

If  $6\frac{2}{3}$ s. gain  $1\frac{2}{3}$ s. what shall a 100 pound gain?

*Multiply* and *divide*, and you shall find 27li.—10s. and so much is gained in 100 li. laying out.

You may use which of these two wayes you think good.



*The prooffe.*

If a yard of cloth be delivered for 8s. 6d. whereupon was gained after the rate of 27li. 10s. in 100. pounds laying out: The question is, what the yard cost at the first hand?

*Answer,* Put your gain 27li. ——— 10s. to 100 pounds, all maketh 127li. ——— 10s. Then say, If 127li. 10s. give but a 100 pounds, what giveth 8½s. Work, and you shall finde 6s. 8d. the true solution to your question.

*Yet another example or prooffe upon the first Question.*

If one yard cost 6s. — 8d. the question is, at what price the same is to be sold again, for to gain 27li. 10s. in 100 pound laying out?

*Answer,* Say by the Rule of Three, if a 100li. gain 127li. 10s. what giveth 6½s? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 8s. 6d. your true solution.

If one Ell cost 7s 8d. and be sold again for 8s. 6d. The question is, What is gained in 20 pound laying out in such commodities.

*Answer,* Seek the difference betwixt the just price, and the other price which is ten pence, and then apply the Rule of Three, as before is taught, saying, If 7½s. give ½ shilling, what giveth 20li? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 2li. 3¼s. and so much is gained in 20li. laying out.

The prooffe also by an example of Losse.

**A** Merchant hath bought Holland cloth at 8s. 6d. the ell, which proveth not to his expectation, whereupon he is content to lose 2li. 3¼s. in 20 pounds laying

*laying out. The question is, what price ought to be made of the Cloth, abating this losse?*

*Answer,* Doe as before in Gains hath been taught, putting 2 li.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ s. to your 20 pound, all together maketh 22 li.  $-3\frac{1}{2}$ s. Then say by the *Rule of Three*. If 22 li  $3\frac{1}{2}$ s. give but 20 li. what shall come of 8  $\frac{1}{2}$ s? work, and you shall finde 7s. 8d. the just price that the Ell ought to be sold for after the rate of this losse.

Thus it appeareth evidently, as in company the *Rule* is applicable as well to gain as losse.

*If, 20  $\frac{1}{4}$  yards cost 36 li. 10s. how shall I sell the same again  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Principall, or to make of 3, 4. which is all one.*

*Answer,* By the *Rule of Three*, If 3 doe give 4, what will 36  $\frac{2}{3}$  give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 48  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds, Then say again, if 20  $\frac{1}{4}$  yards do give 48  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds, as well principall as gain, what will one yard be worth at that price? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 2 li.  $24\frac{2}{3}$ s.

*If one Ell of Cloth cost me 8s. 8d. and afterwards I sell 10  $\frac{1}{4}$  Ells thereof for 5 li. 13s. 4d. I would know, whether I winne or lose: and how much upon the 100 pounds of mony.*

*Answer,* See first at 8s. 8d. the Ell, what 10  $\frac{1}{4}$  Ells comes to, and you shall finde 4 li. 11s. and I sold the same for 5 li. — 13s. — 4d. so that I did gain upon the 10  $\frac{1}{4}$  Ells 22 shillings 4d. Then if you would know how much is gained in 100 pounds, I say by the *Rule of Three*, if 4 li. — 11s. did gain 22 — 4d. what will 100 pounds gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 24 li. — 10s. — 10d.  $\frac{1}{91}$  and so much is gained in the 100. pound of mony.

*If 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards cost me 11 pound five shillings, and I sell*

*sell the yard again for 16 shillings, the question is whether I doe winne or lose, and how much in or upon the pound of mony?*

*Answer,* Look what the  $12\frac{1}{2}$  yards come to at 16s the yard, and you shall finde ten pound. But they cost 11 pound 5 shillings. So there is lost upon the whole 1 pound 5s. Then to know how much is lost in the pound, say by the *Rule of Three*, if  $11\frac{1}{4}$  pound doe lose  $1\frac{1}{4}$  pound, what will 1 pound lose? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 2s. 2d  $\frac{2}{3}$ . and so much is lost in the pound of mony.

*If I sell the 100 weight of any commodity for 4 pound, whereupon I doe lose after ten pound in the 100 pound, I demand how much I shall lose or gain in the 100 pound, if in case I had sold the same for 4 pound ten shillings.*

*Answer,* Say, if 90 pound yeeldeth 100. how much will 4 give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Then say again, if  $4\frac{1}{2}$  give me  $4\frac{1}{2}$  what will 100 come to? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 101 pound  $\frac{1}{4}$  which is more then 100 pound by 1 li. 5 shillings: and so much is gained in the 100. pound.

*A Merchant hath sold Currants for the summe of 430 Pound, and he hath gained therein after ten pound, in the 100 Pound. The question is, to know how much is gained in all.*

*Answer,* Say by the *Rule of Three*. If 100 pound doe gain ten pound, what will 430 pound gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 43, and so much hath hee gained in all.

*If one yard be worth 28  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. for how much shall 10 yards be sold to gain after 8 pound, 6 shillings 8 pence in the 100 pound?*

*Answer,*

*Answer*, First, adde 8li.—6s.—8d. to 100. Then say, if 100li. do give 108  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. for principall and gain, what will 28  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. principall yeeld? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 30  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. Then say, again, by the *Rule of Three*, if 1 yard do give 30  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. (which is as well the principall as the gain) what shall ten yards give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 15 li. 8s. 9d. And for the same price shall the ten yards be sold, for to gain after the rate of 8li.—6s.—8d. upon the 100.

A branch or Proof out of this  
Question.

*A Merchant hath sold clothes for 15 li.—8s.—9d. and he hath gained in the whole the summe of 1 li.—3s.—9d. The question is to know how much he hath gained in the 100. pound?*

*Answer*, To know this, first rebate the gains from the price; and there will remain 14 li. 5s. 0d. Then say by the *Rule of three* direct: If 14 li.  $\frac{1}{4}$  give me 1 li. 3  $\frac{1}{4}$ , what will 100li. give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 8li. 6s.—8d. the effect desired, the proof is apparent in the question before.

Yet another branch or prooffe of the  
first Question.

*If ten yards be delivered for 15 li. 8s 9d. whereupon was gained after the rate of 8li. 6s. 8d. upon the 100. pound, the question is, what the yard did cost at the first hand?*

*Answer*, First, say by the *Rule of three*, if ten with principall and gain yeeld 15 li. 8s.  $\frac{3}{4}$  shillings, what shall 1 yeeld. Multiply and divide, and you shall finde

30 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. Then say again by the *Rule of Three*, if 108 $\frac{1}{2}$  principall and gain give but 100 what shall 30 $\frac{1}{2}$  of principall and gain yeeld? Work, and you shall finde 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. And so much did the yard cost at the first peny.

If one yard cost 36 s. how much shall 12 yards be sold for, to gain after the rate of 10. li. in the 100?

Answer, First say, If 100. give 110 li. principall and gain, what will 36 s. give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. Then say again by the *Rule of Three*: If one yard of principall and gain yeeld 39 $\frac{1}{2}$  shillings, what shall 12 yards gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 23 li. 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. which  $\frac{1}{2}$ s. in knowne number, is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. And for the same price shall the 12 yards be sold, to gain after the rate of 10 in the 100.

The Proof.

If 12 yards be sold for 23 li. 15s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. whereupon is gained after 10 li. in the 100. the question is, what the yard cost at the first peny?

Answer, First say, If 12 give 23 li. 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. what one yard? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. Then say againe by the *Rule of Three*, If 110. pounds give but a 100. what shall 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. give? Work, and you shall find 36s. the just price of the yard at the first hand.

Item, When one Merchant selleth wares to another, and he giveth to the buyer 1 li. 6. 8d. upon the score; or 20 li. the question is, How much shall the buyer gain upon the 100 li. after that rate?

Answer, First, adde 1 li. 6s. 8d. unto 20 li. and they are 21 $\frac{1}{3}$ . Then say, If 20 pound give 21 $\frac{1}{3}$ , what shall

shall 100. give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 106  $\frac{2}{3}$ . So the buyer getteth after the rate of 6  $\frac{2}{3}$  li. upon the 100 li.

Gentle Reader, other necessary questions appertaining to Losse and Gain, you shall have in the eighth Chapter of this Treatise.

The fifth Chapter entreateth of Losse and Gain upon time, wrought by *the double Rule of Three, or by the Rule composed*: which is contained in foure speciall selected branches, or questions of divers formes, *each one of them springing from the first Question*, and each one of them alio being a proof to other, &c.

**L** F one yard cost me 2s. 8d. ready money, and after I sell the same again for 2s. 10d. to be paid for it at the end of three months: the question is, what I gain upon the 100 li. in 12 moneths.

*Answer*, First say, if 2  $\frac{2}{3}$  gain  $\frac{1}{3}$ , what shall 100 li. gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 6  $\frac{1}{4}$  li. Then say again, by the *Rule of Three*, if three months gain 6  $\frac{1}{4}$  pound, what shall 12. months gain? Work, and you shall finde 25 li. and so much shall I gain in 12 moneths after that rate.

*Item*, You may also work it all at one working by the first part of the *Rule of Three* composed, saying, if 2  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. in three months doe gain  $\frac{1}{6}$  of a shilling, (which is 2d.) what will 100 li. gain in 12 months? Which for thy further encouragement, the work of this one example I have here put down, to verifie that I affirme in the first part of this *Ground of Arts*, that this Rule



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Rule, and so all others, more rejoyceth in *Broken*, then in *Whole*.

| s.               | months | s.            | li.   | mo. |
|------------------|--------|---------------|-------|-----|
| 2 $\frac{1}{3}$  | 3      | $\frac{1}{6}$ | 100   | 12  |
| 8                |        | 1             | 20    |     |
| 3 2              |        |               | 2000  |     |
| 24 72000         |        |               | 3     |     |
| 6 14444 (500 (25 |        |               | 6300  |     |
| 144 144 220      |        |               | 12    |     |
| x                |        |               | 7:000 |     |

Where the multiplication and the division being ended, maketh 25 li. your desire.

If a yard be delivered for 2s. 10d. to be payed at 3 months, whereupon was gained after the rate of 25 li. in the 100. for 12 months, the question is now, what the yard cost at the first hand?

Answer, First say, if 12 months gain 25 li. what shall 3 months gain? Work, and you shall finde  $6 \frac{1}{4}$  li. Then say again the second time, if 10  $\frac{1}{4}$  li. give but 100. what shall 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. give? Work, and you shall finde 2s. 8d. which is the just price that the yard cost at the first hand.

If one yard of Cloth cost me 2s. 8d. ready money, for what term shall I sell the same again for 2s. 10d. so that I might gain after the rate of 25 pound upon the 100. pound in 12. moneths?

Answer, First say, if 2  $\frac{1}{3}$  gain  $\frac{1}{6}$ , what shall 100 li. gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall find  $6 \frac{1}{4}$ . Then say again for the second work. If 25. pound be come of twelve months, what shall come of  $6 \frac{1}{4}$ ? Work, and you shall find 3 moneths, the just term of time that the Cloth ought to be delivered

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at 2s. 10d. to gain 25li. upon the 100li. in 12 moneths.

*If one yard cost me 2s. 8d. ready money, for what price shall I sell the same again to be paid at the end of 3 moneths, so that I may gain after the rate of 25 pound in the 100 pound for 12 moneths?*

*Answer,* First say, if 12 gain 25li. what shall 3 moneths gain? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde  $6\frac{1}{4}$ li. Then say for the second worke, if 100li. give  $106\frac{1}{4}$ , what giveth  $2\frac{2}{3}$ s? Work and you shall finde 2s. 10d. and for that price must the yard be sold to gain after 25 pound in the 100 pound for 12 moneths.

Many other of these questions I might here have delivered, but for feare the Booke would rise to too thick a volume, and so to make the price so much the dearer, whereby it might not be so portable to my Countre-men, as I wish it. But these 4 I have of purpose framed in this order, having relation one to another, assuring you that what question soever may be proposed within the compasse of this Rule you shall finde by one of these 4 to make a solution. And moreover, divers others are yet to be delivered where the Creditor giveth divers dayes of payment, which can never be well wrought, nor yet understood, unlesse you can first finde by Art the just times that all those payments, how different soever they be, ought to be paid at once: whereupon first I think good here to give some instructions unto such a Rule; for it is the onely aid for the finishing of such questions as hereafter shall follow.

The sixth Chapter entreateth of Rules of Payment, which is a right necessary Rule, and one of the chiefeſt handmaids that attendeth upon buying and ſelling, &c.

*Example.*

**A** Merchant doth owe a ſumme of money, whereof the  $\frac{1}{3}$  is to be paid at ſixe months, and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  at eight moneths, and the reſt at a year. If he would pay all at one payment, the queſtion is, what time ought to be given him?

*Answer,* I have omitted the quantity of the ſumme, for you ſhall underſtand the Rule is appliable, and yeeldeth a true ſolution to what ſumme ſoever ſhall be propoſed: But now for order ſake in teaching, I do imagine the ſumme to be 60 pounds, whereupon the manner of this worke is to multiply the proportionate part of the money by the time, as in company. Then 20. being the firſt payment, and the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 60 which  $\frac{1}{3}$  multiplied in broken numbers by 6, his time of payment, maketh  $\frac{6}{3}$ , which in whole numbers, as appeareth by the Example in the Operation, maketh two moneths: next 30. which is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  multiplied by his terme 8. yeelds 4. moneths, then the reſt which is 10 li. muſt

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| $\frac{1}{3}$ by $\frac{6}{1}$  | 2 Moneths. |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ by $\frac{8}{1}$  | 4 Moneths. |
| $\frac{1}{6}$ by $\frac{12}{1}$ | 2 Moneths. |

needs be abbreviated into the proportion it beareth to 60. which is  $\frac{1}{6}$ , which  $\frac{1}{6}$  multiplied by his time 12 moneths, produceth  $\frac{12}{6}$ , maketh two moneths. All which added together, as appeareth in the Operati-

on, maketh 8 moneths, which is the just time that all those payments ought to be paid at once.

*A Merchant hath 800 li. to pay, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  thereof ready money, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  at two moneths, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  at 4 moneths, and the rest at a yeare. The question is, if he would pay all at one payment, what time ought to be given him?*

*Answer,* The ready money is never multiplied, then  $\frac{1}{4}$  multiplied by two moneths, as you did before, maketh  $\frac{1}{2}$ , then  $\frac{1}{2}$  by 4 produceth 2 moneths, as appeareth here in the operation: But now for the rest of the money you cannot multiply it untill you have sought what proportion it beareth to 800 pounds. Therefore you must subtract the ready mony, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  out of the principall. The rest will be  $66\frac{2}{3}$  li. which you must look what part it beareth to the principall, which you shall finde to be  $\frac{1}{12}$ , the same you must also multiply by his time 12 months and it yeeldeth 1 month, so all make  $3\frac{1}{2}$  months, as appeareth in the operation.

|               |               |                |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| $\frac{3}{4}$ | $\frac{2}{7}$ |                |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | $\frac{1}{4}$ | $0\frac{1}{4}$ |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ |                |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 3              |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ |                |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ |                |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ |                |
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*A Merchant is to pay 1200 li. in three terms, that is to wit, 400 li. at two weeks: and 600 li. at foure months: Lastly, 200 li. at five months: The question is, in what time they ought to be paid at once.*

*Answer,* Proportionate the parts. and you shall finde that 400 is  $\frac{1}{3}$  part, and for 600. you shall finde  $\frac{2}{3}$ , and likewise 200 is the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part. which multiply by their times as before & you shall have  $\frac{2}{3}$  weeks, more eight weeks: and lastly  $3\frac{1}{3}$  weeks, which together maketh 12 weeks, or three months, your desire.

*A Merchant is to pay 600 pound in three terms, whereof 100 pound is paid present, more 300 pound at twenty dayes, and the rest at five months, accounting thirty*

thirty dayes to a month. The question is, what time ought these payments to be paid at once?

Answer, Worke, and you shall finde 2 months.

The seventh Chapter treateth of buying and selling in the Trade of Merchandize, wherein is taken part ready money, and diverse dayes of Payment given for the rest: and what is wonne or lost in the 100 pound forbearance for twelve months more or lesse, according to the quantity of money, or proportion of time, &c.

**A** Merchant hath bought satins which cost 8 s. the yard ready money: and he selleth the same again to another man for 10 s. the yard, but he giveth 2 dayes for the payment, that is to say, 3 months for the one halfe, and 5 months for the other halfe. The quest, is to know how much the seller doth gain upon the 100 li. in 12 moneths after that rate.

Ans. Seeke first, by the Rules of payment, at what time those 2 payments ought to be paid at once, and you shall find 4 months, at which time the second Merchant ought to have paid the whole entire paymēt: & therefore say by the first part of the Rule of 3. composed, If 8 s. in 4 months do gain 2 s. what will 100. li. gain in 12 months.

| s.    | m.    | s.       | li.   | m.   |
|-------|-------|----------|-------|------|
| 8     | — 4   | — 12     | — 100 | — 12 |
| 4     | —     |          | 20    |      |
| 23    |       |          | 2000  |      |
|       |       |          | 2     |      |
|       |       |          | 4000  |      |
|       |       |          | 12    |      |
|       |       |          | 14800 |      |
| 48000 | 12.   |          |       |      |
| 322   | (2500 | (75      |       |      |
| 3     | 220,  |          |       |      |
|       | E c 4 | Multiply |       |      |

Multiplied and divide, and you shall finde 75 pounds, as appeareth in the example, & so much doth the first Merchant gain upon the 100 li. in 12 months.

*A Merchant hath sold 50. Clothes, at 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  li. the piece, to be paid the one  $\frac{1}{4}$  at foure moneths, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  at five moneths, and the  $\frac{1}{4}$  at 7 moneths, and the sellers minde is to take no more but after 8 li. in the 100. for 12. moneths. The question is now, what the first Merchant gaineth in the sale of these Clothes after that rate.*

*Ans.* First, looke what the 40 Clothes come to at that price, and you shall find 475 li. Then secondly according to your direction in the Rules of payment, seeke at what time all the payments are to be performed at once. And you shall finde 4  $\frac{2}{3}$  moneths. Then thirdly say, by the first part of the Rule of 3. composed. If 100 li. in 12 months gain 8 li. what will 475 li. gain in 4  $\frac{2}{3}$  months? Work, and you shall find 15 li. and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a pound, which is the neat gains that the first Merchant hath after the rate aforelaid.

*A Merchant hath bought Holland at 7 s. 3 d. the Ell ready money, and he selleth the same again, for 8 s. 4 d. the Ell, to be paid  $\frac{1}{4}$  part in ready money, more  $\frac{1}{3}$  part at 2 moneths, and the rest at 4 moneths; The question is now to know how much the first Merchant doth gain upon the 100 li. in 12. months after that rate?*

*Answer,* According to the direction delivered you in the Rule of payment, the ready mony is not to be multiplied. Then working for the other 2 payments to find out the true proportion at what time they ought to be paid at once, you shall find for  $\frac{1}{4}$  at two moneths,  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a month, And the rest of the money which is  $\frac{5}{16}$  multiplied by his term 4 months, yeeldeth 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  months, both which added together make 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  months, the



the just time that both the payments ought to be performed at once. And therefore say by the first part of the rule of 3 composed, if  $74\frac{1}{4}$  in  $2\frac{1}{2}$  months doe gain  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a li. what shall 100 li. gain in 12 months after that rate? Work, & you shall finde  $78\frac{17}{32}$  li. And so much doth he gain upon 100. pounds in 12 months.

*A Merchant hath bought 30. clothes at 6 li. the price for ready money : Afterward he selleth 10 of them for 7 li. the price, for 3 months term : And the other 20. he selleth for 8 li. the piece, for 4 months term, the question is now, what he gaineth upon 100 pounds in 12 months?*

*Ans.* First find the value of the 30 clothes, which amount to 180 li. Secondly seek what the ten pieces come to at 7. li. & what the 20 pieces come to at 80 li. the one comes to 70. and the other to 60, both which together make 230. which is 50 li. more thē they cost. Thirdly, as I have taught you in the rule of payment, proportionate the first and 2<sup>d</sup> prices unto the proportiō they bear unto 230 the product of their 2 prices, & you shall find  $\frac{2}{3}$  for the first, &  $\frac{1}{3}$  for the latter. Then fourthly, multiply those parts by their times, & you shall have  $\frac{21}{3}$  and  $\frac{4}{3}$  both which together maketh 3 whole months, &  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a month, which is the just time that both those payments ought to be paid at once.

Then say by the first part of the Rule of 3. composed, If 180 li. in  $3\frac{1}{3}$  months doe gain 50 li. what shall 100 gain in 12 mōths? Multiply & divide, & you shall find  $90\frac{1}{2}$  li. & so much doth he gain upon 100 pounds in 12 months.

*A Merchāt hath bought Cinnamō which cost him 9s. the li. ready money. The question is now, at what price he ought to sell the 100 weight. To wit. 112 li. to be paid the  $\frac{1}{2}$  at 2 months, & the residue at the end of 3 mōths, so that he may gain after the rate of ten li. upon 100 li. for 12 months.*

*Ans.* Seek first by the Rule of payment at what term both the payments ought to be paid at once, where

the  $\frac{1}{4}$  multiplied by his term two months, maketh  $\frac{1}{2}$  months.

Likewise the next payment, which is  $\frac{1}{4}$  multiplied by his term three months, maketh  $2\frac{1}{4}$  moneths, both which added together, maketh  $2\frac{1}{4}$  months, which is the time that both the payments ought to be paid at once. Then say by the *Rule of Three*, If 12. months do give me ten pounds, what will  $2\frac{1}{4}$  months give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde  $2\frac{7}{24}$  pounds. Then say again by the *Rule of Three*, If one pound cost me 9s. what will 112. pounds cost? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 50 li. 8s. Then say once again: If 100. pound doe give 102  $\frac{7}{24}$ , what will  $50\frac{2}{3}$  pounds give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 51 li. 11 s. 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. and for that price ought I to sell 112. pound of Cinnamon to be paid at the two severall payments aforesaid, to gain thereby after the rate of tenne pounds upon the hundred pound in twelve months.

**Brief Rules for our hundred weight here at London,** which is after 112. pound for the 160.

**I**tem, *Who that multiplieth the pence that one pound weight is worth by 7. and divided the Product by 15. shall finde how many pounds in money 112 pound weight is worth.*

*And contrariwise, he that multiplieth the pounds that 112. pounds weight is worth by 15. and divideth the Product by 7. shall finde how many pence in money the one pounds weight is worth.*

*Example.*

At 10 pence the pound weight, what is 112. pounds weight worth?

*Answer,*

*Answer*, Multiply 10 by 7. and thereof commeth 70. the which divided by 15. and you finde  $4\frac{2}{3}$  pounds. And thus the 112 pounds is worth 4 li. 13s. 4d, after the rate of 10. pence the pound aforesaid.

At 6 pounds the 112 pounds weight, what is one pound worth?

*Answer*, Multiply 6 by 15, and thereof commeth 90. the which divide by 7. and you shall finde  $12\frac{2}{7}$ d. So much is one pound worth when the 112. pounds did cost 6 pounds.

The eighth Chapter intreateth of Tares, and allowances of Merchandize sold by weight, and of Losses and Gains therein, &c.



**A**T 16 pound the 100 Suttle, what shall 895 pound Suttle be worth, in giving 4 pound weight upon every 100. for Treat?

*Answer*, Adde 4 unto 100, and you shall have 104. Then say by the Rule of Three, If 104. be worth 16. pounds, what are 895 pounds worth? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 137li. 13s. 10 $\frac{2}{11}$ d. and so much shall the 895. pounds weight be worth.

*Item*, at 3s. 4d. the pound weight what shall 754 $\frac{1}{2}$  pound be worth, in giving 4 pounds weight upon every hundred for Treat?

*Answer*, See first by the Rule of three what the 100. pound is worth, saying, If one cost 3 $\frac{1}{3}$ s. what 100? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds. Then adde 4 unto one 100, and they are 104. Then

104. Then say again by the *Rule of Three*, If 104 be sold for 16 $\frac{3}{4}$  pounds, for how much shall 754 $\frac{1}{2}$  be sold for? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 120 li. 18s. 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  d. And for so much shall the 754 $\frac{1}{2}$  pound be sold for at 3s. 4d. the pound, in giving 4 upon the 100.

*Other necessary briefe Rules there are for the finding of Treas, or casting up of Chests of Sugar, &c. which for that it is a mystery, I omit : if any lack instruction that way they shall finde me ready to pleasure them.*

*Item*, If 100 pounds be worth 36s. 8d. what shall 860 pounds be worth in rebating 4 pounds upon every hundred for tare and cloff?

*Answer*, Multiply 860 by 4, and thereof cometh 3440, the which divide by 100, and you shall have 34 $\frac{4}{10}$  pounds, abate 34 $\frac{4}{10}$  from 860 and there will remain 825 $\frac{6}{10}$  pounds. Then say, by the *Rule of 3*. If 100 li. cost 36 $\frac{8}{10}$  s. what will 825 $\frac{6}{10}$  cost after that rate? Multiply and divide and you shall finde 15 li. 2s. 8 $\frac{16}{10}$  d. And so much shall the 860 cost in rebating 4 li. upon every 100, for tare and cloff.

*Item*, *Whether doth he lose more that giveth 4 li. upon the 100, or he that rebateth 4 li. upon the 100?*

*Answer*, First note, that he that giveth 4. pound on 100 giveth 104 for 100. And he which rebateth 4. pounds upon the 100. giveth the 100. for 96. Therefore say by the *Rule of Three*. if 104 be delivered for 100, for how much shall the 100 be delivered. Multiply and divide, and you shall find 96 $\frac{3}{4}$ , and he which rebateth 4 in the 100, maketh but 96 pounds of 100, so that he loseth 4 pounds in the 100, and the other which giveth 4 pounds unto the 100 loseth but 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  pounds upon the 100. Thus you

you may see, that he which abateth 4 pounds in the 100, loseth more by  $\frac{1}{12}$  pound in the 100 pounds, then the other which gave 4 pounds upon the 100, for tare and cloffe.

If 100 pounds of any thing cost me 23s. 4d. the question is, how I shall sell the pound, to gain after the rate of ten pounds, upon the 100 pound.

*Answer*, Say by the *Rule of three*, if 100 pounds give 100 pounds, what shall  $23\frac{1}{2}$  s. give, multiply and divide, and you shall finde  $1\frac{17}{20}$  pounds, Then say again, if 100 pound be worth  $1\frac{17}{20}$  pounds, what is one pound worth, multiply and divide and you shall finde 3 d.  $\frac{2}{5}$ , And so much is the pound worth in gaining ten pounds upon the 100.

Item, *A Grocer hath bought C. weights of commodity for 6 li. 10 s. The question is now to know how many li. thereof he shall sell for 33s. 4d. to gain 20s in C. weight*

*Answer*, Adde 20 s. unto 6 li. 10 s, and they make 7 li, 10 s, Then say, if  $7\frac{1}{2}$  pound, yeeld me 312 pound, what shall  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pounds yeeld; multiply and divide, and you shall find  $24\frac{8}{9}$  li. And so many pound ought he to sell to gain 20s. in his C. weight.

Item, *If one pound weight cost 3s. 4d. and I sell the same again for 4s, what is gained in a hundred pound of money laid out in that commodity;*

*Answer*, You may say, If  $3\frac{1}{2}$  s, give 4 what will 100 pound gain; But then when you have found, you must subtract 100 pounds out of the Product, the rest is your neat gain: or else to produce the neat gain in your work at the first, subtract the just price out of the overprice, as I taught before in the first beginning of Losse and Gain, and your conclusion shall be all one. Multiply and divide by which of  
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the two wayes you think good and you shall finde that he gaineth 20 pounds in the 100 pound.

Item, *If the pound weight which cost 4 s. be sold again for 3. s. 4 d. I demand what is lost in the 100 pounds of money.*

*Answer,* Say if 4 s. lose 3 s. what shall 100 lose? Multiply and divide and you shall finde 16 li. 13 s. 4 d. and so much is lost upon the 100 of money.

Item, *If C. weight of any commodity cost 45 li. and the buyer repenting would lose 5 pounds in the 100 of money, I demand how the pounds may be sold, his losse to be neither more nor lesse then after the rate aforesaid of five by the hundred.*

*Answer,* By the Rule of three, if a 100 lose 5, what shall 45 lose? Work and you shall finde  $2\frac{1}{4}$  pound, which rebated from the principall 45, resteth 42 li. 15 s. Lastly say if 112 yeeldeth but 4 li. 15 s. what one pound? Multiply and divide and you shall find 7s. 7d.  $\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{8}$ . And so much is the pound worth after that losse.

*A Grocer hath bought three pieces of Raisins weighing 175  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds, 182  $\frac{1}{4}$  pounds, 191 pounds: tare for each fraile  $2\frac{1}{4}$  pounds at 25  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. the C. weight. The question is, what they amount to in money.*

I answer, 6 li. ——— 3 s. ——— 4 d  $\frac{23}{18}$  d.

*A Grocer hath bought three sacks of Almonds weighing 267  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound, tare two pound, 257  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds, tare  $2\frac{1}{2}$  pound, 252 pound, tare 3 pound, at 2s. 10  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. the pound, what amount they to in money.*

I answer, 110 li. ——— 12 s. ——— 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  d.



The ninth Chapter intreateth of lengths and breadths of Arras and other Cloths, with other questions incident unto length and breadth.

**I**F a peice of Arras be 7 Elles and  $\frac{3}{4}$  long and 5 Elles and  $\frac{2}{3}$  broad, how many Elles square doth the same peice containe ?

*Answer,* Multiply the length by breadth, that is to say,  $7\frac{3}{4}$  by  $5\frac{2}{3}$  And thereof will come  $43\frac{11}{12}$  elles : so many elles square doth the same peice contain.

Item, more, a piece of Arras doth contain 22 Elles square, and if the same were in length  $3\frac{1}{2}$  elles, I demand how many elles in breadth the same peice doth contain.

*Answer,* Divide 22 elles by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and thereof cometh  $6\frac{4}{7}$  So many elles doth the same contain in breadth.

Item, more, a Merchant hath  $3\frac{1}{4}$  elles of Arras, at  $1\frac{2}{3}$  elles broad, which he will change with another man for a peice of Arras, that is  $\frac{7}{4}$  elles square. The question is, how many elles of that squarenesse ought the first Merchant to have ?

*Answer,* Multiply the first merchants peice his length by the breadth, and you shall finde it containeth  $5\frac{1}{2}$  elles, which  $1\frac{2}{3}$  elles, you shall divide by  $\frac{7}{4}$  and you shall finde  $6\frac{4}{21}$  elles, and so many elles of that squarenesse ought the latter merchant to give the first.

Item, A Students hath bought  $3\frac{1}{2}$  yards of broad Cloth, at 7 quarters broad, to make a gown, and should line the same throughout with Lamb at a foot square each skin, the question is now how many skins he ought to have.

*Answer,*

*Answer.* Seek first the number of yards square that his cloth containeth, which to doe, multiply  $3\frac{1}{2}$  his length, by  $1\frac{3}{4}$  his breadth, and you shall finde  $6\frac{1}{8}$  yards square: then say by the *Rule of three*, if one yard square give 9 foot, what shall  $6\frac{1}{8}$ ? Work, and you shall finde  $55\frac{5}{8}$  skins.

Item, *more*, a Lawyer hath a rich peece of seeling come home which is 24 foot and 3 inches long, and 7 foot and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches high: the Joyner is to be paid by the yard square: the question is how many yards this containeth.

*Answer.* Multiply his length by his breadth, that is to wit,  $24\frac{1}{4}$  foot by  $7\frac{5}{8}$  foot, and you shall finde  $174\frac{7}{8}$  foot square, which 174 you shall divide by 9 (for 10 many foot make a yard square) and you shall finde 19 yards 3 foot and  $\frac{7}{8}$  of a foot, and so many yards doth this peece hold.

Item, I bought a peece of Holland cloth containing 36 Ells  $\frac{1}{2}$  Flemmish. The question is how many Ells English it makes.

*Answer.* You must note, that five ells Flemmish doth make but three ells English.

Therefore say by the *Rule of three*, if five ells Flemmish make but three ells of English, how many ells English will  $36\frac{1}{2}$  ells Flemmish make? Multiply and divide and you shall finde  $21\frac{1}{2}$ ; and so many English doth  $36\frac{1}{2}$  ells Flemmish contain. The like is to be done of others.

Item, *more*, I have bought 342 Ells Flemmish, of Arras work, at two Ells broad Flemmish, and I would line the same with Ell broad Canvas of English measure. The question is, how many Ells English will serve my turn?

*Answer,*

*Answer,* For as much as three ells *English* are worth five ells *Flemmish*, therefore put three ells *Flemmish* into his square, in multiplying three by himselfe, which maketh nine. Likewise multiply the *English* ell, which is five quarters, every way into himselfe squarely, and you shall finde 25. Then multiply 342 which is the length of the peice, by 2, which is the breadth, and thereof commeth 684, then say by the *Rule of three*, as before : if 25 ells square of *Flemmish* measure, be worth nine ells square of *English* measure, what are 684 of *Flemmish* measure? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde  $246\frac{2}{3}$  ells *English*.

The same is also wrought by the *Backer Rule of three*, in seeking the squares contained in the *Flemmish* ell of two ells broad (which are 18) and also in seeking the squares contained in the *English* ell (which are 25) then say by the *Rule of three* backward, If 18 quarters require 342 ells, what shall 25 quarters give? Multiply and divide by the *Rule of three* Reverse, and you shall find as before  $246\frac{2}{3}$  ells *English*?

Item, more, at three shillings foure pence the *Flemmish* Ell, what is the *English* Ell worth after the rate?

*Answer,* Say, if three quarters give  $3\frac{1}{2}$  s. what giveth five quarters? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 5 s.  $6\frac{1}{2}$  d.

Item, more, at 8 s. 4 d. the *Flemmish* Ell square, what is the *English* Ell worth after that rate?

*Answer,* According to the reason of the last Question, consider that a *Flemmish* ell square is equall to nine quarters of a yard *English*, and an *English* ell square is equall to 25 quarters of a yard. There-  
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fore say by the *Rule of three*, if 9 quarters give  $1\frac{2}{3}$  s. what 25 quarters? Work and find 23s.  $1\frac{2}{3}$  pence. And so is the *English* ell worth.

Item, more, at 6 s. 8 d. the ell square : what shall a piece of Cloth cost that is  $7\frac{1}{2}$  ells long, and  $3\frac{1}{4}$  ells broad?

Answer, Multiply the breadth by the length, and you shall find  $24\frac{3}{8}$  ells square cost  $6\frac{2}{3}$  s. what  $24\frac{3}{8}$  ells? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 8 pounds, 2 s. 6 pence, and so much the same piece of cloth cost.

Item, more, a Mercer sold 3 pices of Silk. To wit 24, 13  $\frac{2}{3}$  and 25 yards, at 9  $\frac{3}{4}$  s. the yard, and was glad to receive in part of payment again, a cloth containing 34  $\frac{1}{3}$  yards at 7  $\frac{2}{3}$  shillings the yard. The question is now, what the Debtor is in the Creditors debt? Work, and you shall finde he oweth the Mercer 17 l. 8 s. 11 d  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The tenth Chapter intreateth of reducing of Pawns of Geanes into English yards.



Ote that 100 Pawnes doe make 26 yards, whereupon three Pawnes  $\frac{11}{10}$  doe make one yard, and one Pawn after the rate and proportion is  $\frac{11}{30}$  of a yard.

In 4563 Pawnes of Geanes, how many yards english?

Answer, Say by the *Rule of three*, if a hundred Pawns do make 26 yards, what will 4563 Pawns make? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 1186 yards  $\frac{11}{30}$ . So many yards doe 4563 Pawns make.

Otherwise take some other number at your pleasure;

sure, as ten pawns, which is the  $\frac{1}{10}$  part of 100, then to find his proportion, take the  $\frac{1}{10}$  part of 26, which is 2; & then say also by the *Rule of three*, if ten pawns give 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  yards, what will 4563 pawns give? Work and you shall finde 1186  $\frac{12}{100}$  yards, as before.

*More, at 2 s. 6 d. the Pawns of Genrs, what will the English yard be worth after the rate?*

*Answer*, Say by the *Rule of three*, if  $\frac{13}{10}$  of a yard cost 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ s. what one yard? Multiply and divide and you shall finde 9 s. 7 $\frac{1}{3}$  d.

*More, if 346 $\frac{1}{2}$  Pawnes cost 30 li. 13 s. 4 d. sterling, what is that the English yard after the rate?*

*Answer*, Say by the *Rule of three*, if 346 $\frac{1}{2}$  Pawns cost 30 $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds what are 3 $\frac{1}{13}$  pawns worth (for so many Pawns make a yard?) Multiply and divide, and you shall find  $\frac{2282}{27027}$  parts of a pound, which in known numbers is worth 6 s. 9 d.  $\frac{6271}{9009}$ .

The eleventh Chapter intreateth of Rules of Loan and Interest, with certain necessary questions and proofs incident thereunto, &c.

**I**tem, I lent my friend 326 pounds for 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  months simply without any Interest, upon condition, to have the like courtesie againe when I need. But when I came to borrow, he could spare me but 149 li. 8 s. 4 d. The question is now how long time I ought to have the use thereof, to counteruaile my friendship before time shew-  
ed him?

*Answer*, Say by the backer *Rule of three*, if 326 pounds give 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  months, what time will 149 $\frac{1}{2}$  pound,

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give?

give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde twelve moneths, and so long time ought I to use his money.

The Prooffe.

Item, *lent my friend 149 li. 8 s. 4 d. for twelve months. The question is now how much money he ought to lend me again for  $5\frac{1}{2}$  moneths to recompence my friendship shewed him?*

*Answer, Say by the Backer or Reverse Rule of three. If twelve months give 149  $\frac{1}{2}$  what shall  $5\frac{1}{2}$  months give? Work, and you shall finde 326 pounds, and so much ought he to lend me to requite my gentleness or good turn.*

Two other branches, yet more, for prooffe out of the same question.

Item, *lent my friend 149 li. 8 s. 4 d. for 12 months, to have the like friendship again when I need. And comming to borrow of him, he very courteously took me 326 pounds (for that he could well then spare the same) The question is now, how long I ought to occupy it, not usurping friendship, but in his due time to restore it again.*

*Answer, Say by the Rule of three reverse, if 149  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds give 12 moneths, what shall 326 pounds give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde that at  $5\frac{1}{2}$  moneths terme, I ought to restore it again.*

Prooffe.

Item, *Lent my friend 326 pounds for  $5\frac{1}{2}$  moneths The question is now, how many pounds he ought to lend me for 12 moneths to recompence this pleasure again.*

*Scholar. Work by the Rule of three reverse, as you have*



have done before, and you shall finde 149 li. — 8 s.  
— 4 d.

Again four other selected questions, of Loan and Interest, all out of one branch, and each one also a necessary question, and a particular prooffe to other.

**I**tem, *Lent my friend 430 pounds at Interest for three moneths, to receive after the rate of 8 pounds in the 100 pounds for 12 moneths. The question is what the Interest commeth to.*

You may, if you please, work it at two workings by the *Rule of three direct*, in saying, if 12 moneths give 8 pounds, what giveth three moneths? Multiply and divide; and it giveth 2 pound.

Then for the second work say: If a hundred pound yeeld 2 pounds, what yeeldeth 430 li? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 8 li. 12 s. and so much comes the loane of 430 li. to for 3 moneths after the rate of 8 pound in the hundred pounds of 12 moneths.

Ocherwise wrought thus by the rule of three at twice also.

If 100 pounds give 8 pounds, what giveth 430 pounds? Multiply and divide, & you shall find 34 li.

Then again for the second work say: If 12 moneths give 34 pounds, what giveth three moneths? Worke and find 8 li, 12 s. as before.

Otherwise yet at one working: By the first part of the rule of five numbers forward, in saying, if 100 pounds in twelve moneths gain 8 pounds, what shall 430 pounds gain in three moneths? Multi-

multiply the first by the second for your Divisor, and the other three, the one into the other for the dividend, and you shall finde eight pounds 12 shillings, as aforesaid.

Prooffe.

Item, *A friend of mine received of me 8 pounds 12 shillings for the Interest and Use of 430 pounds for three moneths terme: The question is now, what he tooke in the 100 pound for 12 months after that rate?*

*Answer,* For most brief, say by the first part or rule of five numbers forward: If 430 pounds in three moneths did pay 8 pound 12 shillings, what doth 100 pound in 12 moneths take after the rate? Work, and you shall finde 8 pounds, and so much he took upon the 100 pounds for 12 moneths.

A third Question and proof also by the Backer Rule of five Numbers.

**I**tem, *I lent my friend 430 pounds to receive for the interest thereof, after the rate of 8 pounds in the 100 for 12 moneths. The question is now how long time my friend ought to give the use thereof, that it may be returned with 8 pounds 12 shillings gains.*

You may work it, if you please, by the Rule of three direct at twice, in saying: If 100 pounds, yeeld 8 pounds, what yeeldeth 430 pound? Multiply and divide, and find 34 pound and  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

Then again for the second work say, if 34  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds, give twelve moneths, what giveth 8  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde three moneths, and so long time ought my friend to use it to return with 8 li. 12 s. gain.

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Otherwise at one working by the Backer Rule of 5 numbers, in saying, if 100 li. in 12 moneths doe gain 8 li. how much time shall 430 li. be a gaining of 8 li. 12 s. ? Multipli the first and the second into the last for your dividend, and the thirde and fourth multiply together for your Divisor, and then divide, and you shall finde three moneths, the just time that my friend ought to use it to return it with 8 li. 12 s. gain.

A fourth derived question out of this Branch, which is a proof of this last, and also of the other two going before.

**I**tem, *How much money, ought a Merchant to deliver after 8 li. in the 100 for twelve moneths, that in three moneths he may gain 8 pounds twelve shillings.*

*Answer,* You may also if you please, work it by the Golden Rule of three at twice : first saying, If three moneths give  $8\frac{2}{3}$  pound, what 12 moneths gain? You shall finde  $34\frac{2}{3}$ . Then say again, If 8 pounds be come of 100 pounds, what shall come of  $34\frac{2}{3}$  pounds 8 shillings ? Work, and you shall finde the answer to the question, which is 430 pounds, and so much ought the Merchant to deliver.

But most briefly it is answered by the Backer Rule of 5 numbers, where I argue thus, saying : If 100 pounds be 12 moneths a gaining of 8 pound, then but for three moneths terme onely to take 8 pounds 12 s. must needs be a good round summe to work it, set your numbers thus: 100 ——— 12 — 8 ——— 3 ———  $8\frac{2}{3}$ , multiplying the first into the second, and also by 43

the product of the fifth, for your dividend, and the third and fourth together with 5. the Denominator of your fraction for your Divisor: then divide, and you shall find as before 430 pounds: the true solution to your question.

### The twelfth Chapter intreateth of the making of Factors, which is taken in two sorts.



He first is, when the estimation of the Factor is taken upon the sending of the Merchant, as if the estimation of his person be  $\frac{1}{4}$  it is understood that he shall have  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the gain, the Merchant the other  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

The other sort is, when the estimation of his making is out of the sending of the Merchant, as if the order and agreement between them were such, that the Merchant shall put in 800li. and the Factor for his making shall have  $\frac{1}{4}$ : neverthelesse he shall have but  $\frac{2}{5}$  of the gain or profit, for the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 800 is 200 (for the estimation of his making) which with the 800 pounds in all make 1000 pounds, whereof the 200 li. is  $\frac{1}{5}$ .

A Merchant doth put in 800 pound into the hands of his Factor, under such condition, that the said Factor shall have the  $\frac{1}{4}$ . And after certain time they finde in profit 124 li. 6 s. 8 d. I demand how much the Merchant shall have hereof, and how much ought the Factor to have?

Answer. *When the estimation of the Factor is out of the sending of the Merchant, it maketh,*

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Merchant.

Factor.

But if that his estimation be at the sending of the Merchant, then it maketh but,

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Merchant.

Factor.

For the Merchant is then to have  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the Factor  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

A Merchant doth put into the hands of his Factor 800 pounds, and the Factor 400 li. to have the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of the profit: I demand now for how much his person is esteemed, when the same is counted upon the sending of the Merchant.

Answer. According to the Tenour and order before prescribed in the first Rule, that is, if his estimate be  $\frac{1}{4}$ , he shall have the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the gain. Therefore say by the Rule of three direct: If  $\frac{1}{4}$  taken put in 400 pound, what is the estimate, or putting in of  $\frac{1}{4}$  taking? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 320 pounds, and so much is the person of the Factor estimated.

### Otherwise.

To finde the estimation of the person of the Factor, you shall consider, that seeing it was agreed between them, that the Factor should take the  $\frac{1}{4}$ , then the Merchant shall have the residue, which are  $\frac{3}{4}$ ; wherefore the gain of the Merchant unto that of the Factor is in such proportion as 3 unto 4. Then if you will know the estimation of the person of

of the Factor, say, If 5 give 4, what will 400 give ? Multiply and divide and you shall finde 320 pound. And so much is the person of the Factor esteemed to be worth.

Other conditions then these aforesaid, may also be between Merchants and Factors, without respect either of sending, or not sending of the Merchant, where most commonly the estimation of the body of the Factor is in such proportion of the stock which the Merchant layeth in, as the gain of the said Factor is unto the gain of the merchant. As thus, if a merchant doe deliver into the hands of his Factor 400 pound, and he to have half the profit, the person of the said Factor shall be esteemed to be worth 400 pound : and if the Factor do take but  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the gain, he should have but  $\frac{1}{3}$  so much of the gain as the merchant taketh, which must have  $\frac{2}{3}$ , wherefore the person of the Factor is esteemed but the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of that which the merchant layeth in, that is to say, two hundred pound.

And if the Factor did take the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the gain, then the merchant shall take the residue which are  $\frac{1}{3}$ , wherefore the gain of the merchants unto the Factor is then in such proportion as 3 unto 2 : whereupon if you will then know the estimation of the person of the Factor, say, if 3 give 2, what shall 400 give ? Work, and you shall finde 266  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds. And so much is the person of the Factor esteemed to be worth.

And if the merchant should deliver unto his Factor 400 pound, and the Factor would lay in 80, and his person, to the end he might have the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the gain, I demand how much shall his person be esteemed ?

Answer, Abate 80 from 400, and there will remain 320. And at so much shall his person be esteemed.



A Merchant hath delivered unto his Factor 900 pounds to govern in the Trade of Merchandize, upon condition that he shall have the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the gain if any thing be gained, and also to bear the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the losse, if any thing be lost. Now I demand how much his person was esteemed at ?

Answer, *Seeing that the Factor taketh the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the gain, his Person ought to be esteemed as much as  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the stocke which the Merchant layeth in : that is to say, the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 900 pound, which is 450. The reason is, because  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the gain that the Factor taketh is the  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the gaine that the Merchant taketh, & so the Factor his person is esteemed to be worth 450 pounds.*

A Merchant hath delivered unto his Factor 600 pounds, and the factor layeth in 250 pound, and his person. Now because he layeth in 250 pounds, and his person, it is agreed between them, that he shall take the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the gain. I demand for how much his person was esteemed ?

Answer, *For as much as the Factor taketh  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the gain, he taketh  $\frac{2}{3}$  of that which the Merchant taketh, for  $\frac{1}{3}$  are the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{1}{3}$ . And therefore the Factors laying in ought to be 400 pound, which is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 600 pound that the Merchant laid in. Then subiraet 250, which the Factor did lay in, from 400 pound which should have been his whole stock, and there remaineth 150 pound for the estimation of his person.*

More, a Merchant hath delivered unto his factor 800 li. upon condition that the factor shall have the gain of 160 li. as thought he laid in so much ready mony : I demand what portion of the gain the factor shall take ?

Answer, *See what part the 160 (which the Factor laid in) is of 960, which is the whole stock of their company,*

company, and you shall find  $\frac{1}{4}$  : And such part of the gain shall the Factor take.

But in case that in making their Covenants it were so agreed between them, that the Factor should have the gain of 160 pound of the whole stock which the Merchant layeth in, that is to say, of the 800 pound : then should the Factor take  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the gains, for 160 is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 800 pound.

The thirteenth Chapter intreateth of Rules of Barter, and exchanging Merchandize, which is distinct into seven Rules, with divers other necessary questions incident thereunto.

*The first Rule.*

**T**WO Merchants, willing to change their Merchandize the one with the other : The one hath 24 broad clothes at 10 li. 10 s. the piece : The other hath Mace at 12 shillings the pound. The question is, how many pounds of Mace he ought to give for his Cloth, to save himselfe harmlesse, and be no loser?

Answer, *Seek first by the Rule of three what the 24 Cloths cost at 10 pound 10 shillings the piece, and you shall finde 252 pound : Then to finde the quantity of Mace, say again by the Rule of three, If 12 shillings buy one pound, what shall 252 pound buy me ? Worke, and you shall finde 420 pound of Mace : And so many pound ought he to give for his Clothes.*

*The Proof.*

Two barter. The one hath 420 pounds of Mace,  
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at 12 s. the pound, to barter or change broad Clothes, at 10 pounds 10 shillings the piece. The question is, how many broad Clothes he ought to give for all his Mace?

Answer, *First say, If one cost 12 shillings, what 420? you shall finde 50 10 shillings. Then say again, If 10  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds give one cloth, what shall 5040 shillings give? Worke, and you shall finde 24 Clothes, your desire.*

The second Rule.

Two change merchandize for merchandize: The one hath Pepper at two shillings foure pence the pound, to sell for ready money. But in barter he will have no lesse then three shillings the pound. And the other hath Holland at five shillings six pence the Ell ready money. The question is now, at what price he ought to deliver the Ell in the barter to save himself harmlesse.

Answer, *Say by the Rule of Three direct: If 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  ready money give 3 shillings in barter, what shall 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  give in barter? You shall finde 7  $\frac{1}{4}$  shillings, and at that price ought the second merchant to sell his Holland in barter.*

The Proof.

Two barter. The one hath Holland at 5 s. 6 pence the Ell to sell for ready money. And in barter he will have 7  $\frac{1}{4}$  shillings. The other hath Pepper at 2 s. 4 pence the pound, to sell for ready money. The question is now how he ought to sell in barter.

Answer, *Say by the Rule of Three direct, If 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  ready mony give 7  $\frac{1}{4}$  shillings, in barter; what oughte 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  to take in barter? multiply and divide and you shall finde 3 shillings your desire.*

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## Questions of The third Rule.

Two barter. The one hath cloth of Arras at 30 s. the Ell ready money, but in barter he will have 35  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. And the other hath white Wines which he delivered in barter for 16 pounds the Tun. The question is now, what his Wines cost the Tun in ready money.

Answer, *Say by the Rule of Three direct. If 35  $\frac{1}{2}$  shillings in barter, give but 30 shillings ready money, what did 16 pound in barter cost? Worke, and you shall finde 13 pound 10 shillings  $\frac{30}{71}$ . And so much cost his Wines for a Tun ready money.*

*The prooffe.*

Two barter Merchandize for Merchandize: The one hath white Wines at 13 pounds 10 s.  $\frac{10}{71}$  s the Tun to sell for ready money: But in barter he delivered it for 16 li. The other, to make his match good and save himself harmlesse, delivereth Arras at 35  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. the ell. The question is now, what an ell of his Arras cost in ready money?

Answer, *Say by the Rule of Three direct: If 16 pounds in barter give but 13 pounds 10  $\frac{30}{71}$  shillings, in ready money, what shall 35  $\frac{1}{2}$  shillings yeeld in barter? Work, and you shall finde 30 shillings your desire.*

## The fourth Rule.

Two barter: The one hath Kerseyes at 14 pounds the piece ready money: But in barter he will have 18 pounds: and yet he will have the  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of his over-price in ready money. And the other hath Ginger at eight groats the pound to sell for ready money. The question is, how he ought to deliver the Ginger by the pound in barter to save himselfe harmlesse, and make the barter equall.

Answer,

Answer, *Item*, for the working of this question, and such other the like, you must understand, if the party over-selling his wares, require to have also some portion in ready money, as  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{3} \frac{3}{4}$ . &c. Then shall you first rebate the same demanded part, whatsoever it be, from the over price, and also from the just price. And those two numbers that shall remain after the subtraction is made, shall be the two first numbers in the *Rule of Three*. And the just price of the same Merchandize shall be the third number, which by the operation of the *Rule of Three direct*, shall yeeld you a true solution, how, and at what price you shall over-sell that your merchandize, to have your self harmlesse, and make the barter equall.

*Example.*

Take the  $\frac{1}{3}$  (of eighteen) which is the over-price of his Cloth, which  $\frac{1}{3}$  of eighteen is six, which you must subtract from 18, there rest 12. And  $14 \text{ --- } 18$   
also abate it from 14, which is the  $6 \qquad 6$   
just price of the Cloth and there remaineth 8, which 8 and 12 are the  $8 \qquad 12$   
two first numbers in the *Rule of Three*. Then take eight groats, or 2  $\frac{2}{3}$  shillings for the third number. Then say by the *Rule of Three direct*. If eight pounds give 12 pounds, what shall 2  $\frac{2}{3}$  s. give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 4 shillings. And for so much shall the second Merchant sell his Ginger, or his commodity in barter, to ballance the same equall.

The Proof.

*Two barter; the one hath fine Kerseys, at 14 pounds the piece ready money: But in barter he will have 18 pounds:*

pounds : and yet he will have the  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of his overprice in ready money. And the other hath Ginger, which he having cunning enough to make the barter equall, delivered in barter for 4 shillings the pound. The question is now, what his Ginger cost him in ready money?

*Answer,* After you have made the subtraction, abating 6 the  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of 18, both from 18 and 14 (as before was taught you : ) then will there remain 8 and 12 for your two first numbers in the *Rule of three*. Then say, If 12 give 8, what shall come of 4 the over-price of the pound of Ginger? Multiply and divide, and you shall find 2 s. 8 pence, your desire.

*Two Merchants barter Merchandize for Merchandize. The one hath Devonshire whites at 7 pound 13 shillings 4 pence the peice ready mony : but in barter he doth them away for 8 pound, 3 shillings 4 pence, and yet he will have the  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of his price in ready money. And the other hath Cottens at three pounds the peice ready money. The question is now, at what price he ought to sell or exchange his Cottens in barter to save himselfe harmlesse, and make the barter equall?*

| li.   | s. | d.               | li.   | s. | d.               |
|-------|----|------------------|-------|----|------------------|
| 7     | 13 | 4                | 8     | 3  | 4                |
| 2     | 14 | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 2     | 14 | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
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| 4     | 18 | 10 $\frac{2}{3}$ | 5     | 8  | 10 $\frac{4}{3}$ |

*Answer,* First seek the  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of 8 li. 3 s. 4 d. which is 2 li. 14 s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  d. which rebated from 8 li. 3 s. 4 d. there resteth as appeareth by the Example above-said, 5 li. 8 s. 10 $\frac{2}{3}$  d. which is  $\frac{2}{3}$  parts of 8 li. 3 s. 4 d. also rebated from 7 lib. 13 s. 4 d. there resteth 4 li. 18 s. 10 $\frac{2}{3}$  d. the two first numbers in the *Rule of Three*, and the three pounds, which is the neat price of



of the piece of Cotten, is the third number : Then say by the *Rule of Three direct*, as was taught before. If 4 li. 18 s. 10  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. give 5 li. 8 s. 10  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. what shall three pounds give ? Multiply and divide, and you shall find three pounds 6  $\frac{2}{3}$  s. the just price that he ought to deliver his Cottens in barter.

## The fifth Rule.

*Two Merchants will change Merchandize for Merchandize. The one hath Kerseys at 40 s. the piece to sell them for ready money. And in barter he will sell them for 56 s. 8 d. and he will gain after ten pound upon the 100 pound. And yet he will have the  $\frac{2}{3}$  of his over-price in ready money. The other hath Flax at 3 d. the pound ready money, The question is now, how he shall sell the pound of his Flax in barter ?*

*Answer,* See first at 10 pound upon the 100 pounds what the 56  $\frac{2}{3}$  s. cometh to, in saying (by the *Rule of Three direct*) If 100 pounds give 110 pounds, what 56  $\frac{2}{3}$  s ? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 3 pound 2 shillings 4 pence, of which the  $\frac{2}{3}$  that he demandeth in ready money, is 1 pound 11 shillings 2 pence; the same 31 s. 2 d. abated from 40 shillings, and also from 56 s. 8 d. there will remaine 8 s. 10 d. and 25 s. 6 d. for the two first numbers in the *Rule of Three*, and 3 pence the price of the pound of Flax for the third number. Then multiply and divide, and you shall find 8  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. And for so much shall he sell the pound of Flax in barter.

## The sixth Rule.

*Two are willing to exchange Merchandize : The one hath Norwich Grograns at 25 s. the piece ready*  
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money: and in barter he will have 30 s. and he will have the  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of his over-price in ready money. The other hath Norwich Stockins, at 40 s. the dozen to sell for ready money. But in as much as the first Merchants Grogranes are no better, he would deliver them so to ballance the barter, that he may gain 10 pounds in the 100 pounds. The question is now, how he shall sell his hose the dozen in barter, according to his request.

Answer, Say, if 100 give 100 li. what shall 40 s. give, which is the just price of the dozen of stockins? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 44 s. Then take the  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 30 s. which is 7 s. 6 d. and subtraet it from 25 s. and also from 30 s. and there will remaine 17 s. 6 d. and 22 s. 6 d. for the two first numbers in the Rule of three, and 44 shillings, which is the just price (with his gain in the dozen of Stockins) for the third number. Then multiply and divide, and you shall finde 56 s. 6  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. and for so much he is to sell his dozen of stockins in barter.

### The seventh Rule.

Two Merchants will change their Merchandize one with the other: The one hath 720 Ells of Cambricke at 5 s. the Ell to sell for ready money, but in barter he requireth 6 s. 8 d. And yet notwithstanding, he loseth by it after 10 pounds upon the hundred pounds, whereupon he requireth one halfe of his over-price in ready money: and the other Merchant having skill enough to make the barter equall, delivered English Saffrons at 30 s. the pound, The question is now, what his Saffrons cost the pound in ready money.

Ans. You must first seeke what is lost upon the 100 li. which to do, you may say (if you please) if 100 pound

pound lose 10, what shall 6  $\frac{2}{3}$  lose? Work, and you shall finde  $\frac{2}{3}$  s. (or 8 d.) which must be rebated from 6 s. 8 d. so resteth 6 s. still. Or you may say, If 100 pound give me but 9 pounds, what shall 6 s. 8 d. give? Work this way either, and you shall find also as before directly in your quotient 6 s. your desire. Then are you next to cast up what the 720 Ells of Cambrick commeth to at 6 s. 8 d. the Ell, and you shall find 240 pounds: the  $\frac{2}{3}$  whereof the Cambrick Merchant will have in ready money (which is 120 pounds:) Nextly, you must cast what the Cambrick commeth to after his losse in the 100 pound, which as you found, is but 6 s. an Ell, and you shall find 216 pounds: Now must you subtract his ready money (which is 120 pounds in all) out of 240 pound, and also out of 216 pound, and there will remain 120 pounds, and 96 pounds for your two first numbers in the *Rule of three*, and 30 shillings is the over-price of your Saffron for the third number: Then multiply and divide, and you shall finde 24 shillings. And so much did his Saffron cost in ready money.

*Two Merchants barter; the one hath fifty Clothes to put away for ready money at 11 pounds the Cloth, and in barter putteth them away for 12 pounds, taking Holland Cloth at 20 d. the Flemish Ell, which was worth no more but 18 d. The question is now, what Holland payeth for the Cloth, and what he winneth or loseth by the bargain?*

*Answer*, Fifty Clothes at 11 pounds the Cloth commeth to 550 pounds, and put away at 12 pounds the piece, maketh 600 pound. Then to finde what Holland payeth for the Cloth, say by the *Rule of three direct*, If 20 d. buy one Ell, what 600 pounds?

Worke, and you shall finde 7200 Ells. Now to finde the Estate of his gain or losse, you must seek what his 7200 Ells commeth to at 18 d. the Ell : Work by the Rule of proportion direct, and you shall finde 540 pounds, which is not so much as his Clothes were worth in ready money by tenne pounds : and so much lost the first Merchant by his Exchange.

*A Venetian hath in London 100 peices of silke, to put away for ready money at 3 li. the piece. But in barter he delivered them for 4 li. the piece, taking wools of a Felmonger at 7 li. 10 s. the C. weight, which was worth no more but six pounds the C. ready money. The question is now, what wools payeth for the silkes, & which of them winneth or loseth by the barter?*

*Ans.* A hundred pieces of Silke at 3 li. is in all 300 li. and at 4 li. is 400 li. Then to find what Wools pay for the Silke, say by the Rule of three direct : If  $7\frac{1}{2}$  li. buy me 1 C. weight, what 400 ? Work, and finde  $53\frac{1}{3}$  C. weight of wooll. Now to find the Estate of their gaine and losse, cast up his wooll at 6 lib. the C. (for so much they were worth ready money) and you shall finde 320 pound which is 20 pound more then the Silks were to be sold for ready money, whereby the Venetian gained 20 pounds by the Barter.

*A Merchant hath  $53\frac{1}{3}$  weight of Wooll at 6 pounds the C. to sell for ready money, but in barter he will have 7 pounds 10 s. and another doth barter with him for Silks, which are worth three pounds a piece ready money. The question is now, how he ought to deliver his Silks the peice in barter, and how many payeth for the wools.*

*Answer,* Say by the Rule of proportion, (or by the Rule of three direct) If, 6 pounds for C. weight ready money,

money, yeeld me 7 li. 10 s. what will 3 li. yeeld, which is the just price of a piece of Silk in barter, to make the Truck equall? Work, and find 3 li. 15 s. the price of a piece of Silk, in barter: then say, If 3 li. 15 s. require one piece of Silk, how many pieces of Silk are bought with 400 pound, which is the value of  $53\frac{2}{3}$  C. weight of wooll, at 7 li. 10 s? Worke by the Rule of three direct, and you shall finde 160 pieces of Silk and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a piece, and so many of Silk pay for the wooll, and neither party hath advantage of other.

*Two men will change Merchandize, the one with the other. The one of them hath beer at 6 s. 8 d. the barrell, to sell for ready money, but in barter he will sell the barrell for 8s. and yet he will gain moreover after 10 pound upon the 100 pounds. And the other hath white Spanish wooll at 20 s. the Rove, to sell for ready money. The question is now, how he shall deliver the Rove of Wooll in barter to save himself harmlesse.*

*Answer, Say, if  $6\frac{2}{3}$  s. which is the just price of the barrell of Beer, be sold in barter for 8 shillings: for how much shall 20 shillings (which is the just price of the Rove of Wooll) be sold in barter? Work by the Rule of Threedirect, and you shall finde 24 s. Then for because the first Merchant will gain after 10 pounds upon the 100 pounds, he make h his 100 pounds, 110 pounds. And therefore say by the Rule of Three, If the second Merchant of 110 pounds doe make but 100 pounds, how much shall he make of 24 s? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 21 s. 9 d.  $\frac{2}{11}$  of a peny. And for so much shall he sell the Rove of Wooll to be delivered in barter, to the end the first Merchant may give 10 in the 100.*

*Two Merchants will change their Commodities the*

one with the other. The one of them hath white Paper at 4 s. the Reame, to sell for ready money. And in barter he will doe it away for 5 s. and yet he will gain moreover after the rate of 10 pounds upon the 100 pounds. And the other hath Mace at 14 s. 6 d. the pound weight to sell in barter. Now I demand what the pound did cost in ready money.

Answer, Say, if 5 s. (which is the over-price of the Paper in barter) be come of 4 s. the just price, of how much shall come  $14\frac{1}{2}$  shillings, which is the surprize of the pound of Mace in barter? Multiply and divide, and you shall find  $11\frac{1}{2}$  s. Then for because the first Merchant of Paper will gain after 10 upon the 100, Say if 100 doe give 110, what shall  $11\frac{1}{2}$  shillings give? Worke and you shall find 12 s. 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. and so much did the pound of Mace cost in ready money.

The fourteenth Chapter intreateth of exchanging of money from one place to the other.



Exchange is no other thing, then to take or receive money in one City, to render or pay the value thereof in another City, or else to give money in one place, and receive the value thereof in another, at term of certain dayes, moneths, or fairs, according to the diversity of the place.

But this practice chiefly consisteth in the knowledge of the money or Coynes in divers places, of which for thy benefit (after a few examples given to the Introduction of this work) I will set down certain notes of the diversity



diversity of the common and usuall Coynes in most places in Christendome for trafficke.

And first I will begin at *Antwerp*, where they use to make their accounts by *Deniers de grosse*, that is to say, pence *Flemmish*, whereof 12 doe make 1 s. *Flemmish*, and 20 s. doe make one pound *de grosse*.

Item, *A Merchant delivered at Antwerp*, 400 pound *Flemmish* to receive in London 20 s. sterling, for every 23 s. — 4 d. *Flemmish* : The question is now, how much sterling money is to be received at London for 400 pounds *Flemmish* ?

*Answer*, Say by the Rule of Three, If  $23 \frac{1}{3}$  *Flemmish* give 20 s. sterling, what 400 pounds *Flemmish*? Worke, and you shall finde 342 l — 17 s. —  $1 \frac{2}{7}$  pence, and so much sterling shall I receive in London for the said 400 pounds *Flemmish*.

Otherwise also wrought by Rules of Practice in taking the  $\frac{1}{7}$  of the *Flemmish* money delivered, and abating the same from the principall, the rest is *English* money, as before.

400 li ——— 0 s. ——— 0 d.

57 ——— 2 ———  $10 \frac{2}{7}$

342 ——— 17 ———  $1 \frac{2}{7}$  sterling.

*A Merchant at London delivered 200 lib. sterling for Antwerp*, at 23 s. — 5 d. *Flemmish* the pounds sterling : the question is, how much he must receive at Antwerp.

*Answer*, Say by the Rule of Three, if 1 pound sterling give 23 s. 5 d. *Flemmish*, what 200 li. sterling? Work, and thou shalt finde 234 li. — 3 s. — 4 d. So many pounds *Flemmish* shall he receive at *Antwerp* for the said 200 pounds sterling.

# Questions of Otherwise by Practice.

$1 \text{ --- } 3 \text{ --- } 5 \text{ --- } 200$   
 $3 \text{ s. } 4 \text{ d.} \quad 33 \text{ --- } 6 \text{ --- } 8$   
 $1 \text{ d.} \quad \text{---} 16 \text{ --- } 8$   
 maketh sterling  $\text{---} \text{---} 23 \text{ } 4 \text{ li. } 3 \text{ s. } 4 \text{ d}$

*In London 20 pound sterling is delivered by Exchange for Antwerp, at 23 s. 9 d. Flemmish the pound sterling: the question is, at what rate the Flemmish money ought to be returned to gain foure pounds upon the 100 pound sterling at London.*

*Answer,* First, say by the Rule of three direct: If 1 pound sterling give  $23 \frac{3}{4}$  Flemmish, what 200 pounds sterling? Multiply and divide and you shall finde 237 pounds 10 shillings. The which to return to gain 8 pounds sterling in London, say by the backer Rule, If 200 pounds sterling require the exchange 23 s. 9 d. Flemmish, what the exchange to make 208 li. sterling? Work by the Rule, and finde  $22 \text{ s. } 10 \frac{1}{2} \text{ d.}$  Flemmish, the effect in the question required.

*If I take up money at Antwerp after 19 s. 4 d. Flemmish, to pay for the same at London, 20 s. sterling, and when the day of payment is come, I am forced to return the same money again in London, to pay my Bill of Exchange: so that for 20 shillings which I take up here at London, I must pay 19 s. 6 d. at Antwerp, I demand whether I doe win or lose, and how much in or upon the 100 pounds of money?*

*Answer,* Say by the Rule of three: If  $19 \frac{1}{2}$  give  $19 \frac{1}{2}$  what will 100 pounds give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 99 li.  $2 \frac{1}{11} \frac{6}{17} \text{ s.}$  which being abated from 100 pounds, there will remain 17 s.  $\frac{1}{11} \frac{1}{7}$ , and so much I do lose upon the 100 pounds of money.

*If*

*If I take up at London 20 shillings sterling to pay at Antwerp 22 s. 4d. and when the day of payment is come, my Factor is constrained to take up money again at Antwerp, wherewith to pay the aforesaid summe, and there he doth receive 23 s. 4 d. Flemmish, for the which I must pay 20 s. at London : The question is now, whether I doe win or lose, and how much upon the 100 lib. of money after that rate.*

*Answer,* Say by the Rule of Proportion, If  $22 \frac{1}{2}$  s. give  $23 \frac{1}{2}$  s. what will 100 pounds give ? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 104 pounds 9 shillings  $\frac{12}{7}$ , from the which abate 100 pounds, and there will remain 4 pounds 9 shillings  $\frac{12}{7}$ , and so much is there gained upon the 100 pounds of money.

*In Antwerp is delivered 200 pounds Flemmish by exchange for London. at 20 shillings sterling for every 23 shillings 4 d. Flemmish, The question is, at what rate the same is to be returned to gain 10 pounds upon the 100 pounds Flemmish in Antwerp?*

*Answer,* First, say by the Rule of three, if  $23 \frac{1}{2}$  Flemmish give 20 s. what shall 200 pounds gain ? Work, and you shall finde 171 pounds 8 s.  $6 \frac{6}{7}$  d. then say again by the Rule of three direct, if 171 pounds 8 s.  $6 \frac{6}{7}$  d. sterling, give me 210 pounds Flemmish, what shall 20 s. sterling give ? Work, and you shall finde 24 s. 6 d. Flemmish. And at the same rate ought the same to be returned at Antwerp, to gain 10 pounds upon the 100 Flemmish.

*A Merchant of Antwerp delivereth 234 lib. 3 s. 4 d. Flemmish, to receive at London 200 li. sterling : The question is now, how the exchange goeth after this rate?*

*Answer,* Say by the Rule of three direct, if 200 give 20, what 234  $\frac{1}{2}$  ? Multiply and divide, and you shall

shall find 23 s. — 5 d. And for so much goeth the exchange.

Item, the exchange from London into France, is not like as it is to Flanders, but it is delivered by the French Crown, which is worth 50 Soulx Turnois the piece.

Whereupon also you must note that in France they make their accounts by Franks, Soulx, and Deniers Turnois, whereof 12 Deniers make one Soulx Turnois, and 20 Soulx maketh one pound Turnois, which they call a Liure or Frank. But the Merchants to make their Accounts, doe use French Crowns, which is currant among them for 51 Soulx Turnois. But by exchange it is otherwise, for it is delivered but for 50 Soulx Turnois the Crown, or as the taker up of the money can agree with the deliverer. And note that this  $\Delta$  Character representeth the Crown by exchange, and is ever 50 Soulx Turnois or French money.

A Merchant delivereth at London 240 pounds sterling, after five shillings six pence the Crown, to receive at Paris 50 Soulx Turnois for every Crowne. I demand how much Turnois or French money payeth the Bills for the said 240 pounds sterling.

Answer, Say by the Rule of Three. If  $5\frac{1}{2}$  s. sterling give me 50 s. Turnois, what shall 240 pounds sterling give? Reduce the pounds into shillings, then multiply and divide, and you shall finde 2181 Liures, 16 Soulx, 4 Deniers, and  $\frac{4}{11}$  Turnois, and so much payeth the Bills at Paris, for the 240 pound sterling.

A Merchant delivereth at Roan, or elsewhere in France, 1430 pounds or franks, the which franke or pound is 20 Soulx, or a pound Turnois to receive in London

London 6 s. 4 d. sterling for every  $\Delta$  of 50 Soulx Turnois. The question is, how much sterling money I ought to receive at London for my 1430 pound Turnois.

Answer, Say, if  $2\frac{1}{2}$  pounds give me  $6\frac{1}{2}$  s. what will 1430 give me? Worke, and you shall find 3622  $\frac{2}{3}$  shillings sterling, which maketh 181 li. 2 s. 8 d. and so much money is to be received at London, for the said 1430 Liure Turnois, after 6 s. 4 d. for every  $\Delta$  of 50 Soulx.

In London is delivered 200 pound sterling by exchange for Paris, at 5 s. 9 d. the  $\Delta$  of 50 Soulx Turnois. The question is, at what price the said  $\Delta$  is to be returned to gain 6 pounds upon the 200 pounds sterling at London.

Answer, First, say (by the Rule of Three direct) if  $5\frac{1}{4}$  s. sterling give 50 Soulx Turnois; what shall 200 pound sterling give? Work, and you shall find 1739 Franks of Liures,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Soulx. Then the which to return and gaine 6 pounds upon the hundred pounds in London, say by the Rule of Three direct, if 1739 Franks  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Soulx yeeld 212 pound, what the  $\Delta$  of 50 Soulx? work and finde 6 s. 1  $\frac{2}{5}$  d. the effect required in the question.

A Merchant delivered in London 160 li. sterling to receive in Biskay for every 5 s. 6 d. one Ducat of 374 Marvides. The question is, how many Marvides ought I to receive at Biskay?

Answer, Say, if  $5\frac{1}{4}$  s. sterling give 374 Marvides: what shall 160 pounds sterling give? Multiply and divide, and you shall finde 217600 Marvides, and so many I ought to receive at Biskay for my 160 pounds sterling.

*A Merchant delivered in Baion, 40000 Marvides to receive in London 5 s. 8 d. sterling for every Ducat of 374 Marvides. The question is now, how much sterling money payeth the Bills of Exchange for the said 40000 Marvides?*

*Answer, Say, if 374 Marvides make one Ducat, what 40000 Marvides? Multiply and divide, and finde,  $106 \frac{178}{187}$ .*

*Then say again, if 1 Ducat give  $5 \frac{2}{3}$  s. what giveth  $106 \frac{178}{187}$  Ducats? Work, and find 30 l. 6 s.  $\frac{24}{361}$ . Otherwise it is wrought more brieft at one working, as in the last question before, in considering that 5 s. 8 d. containeth one Ducat, or 374 Marvides. Therefore say by the Rule of Three, if 374 Marvides give  $5 \frac{2}{3}$  s. what 40000 Marvides? Work, and you shall also finde in your quotient 30 l. 6 s.  $\frac{24}{361}$  s. And so many pounds sterling is to be received for the 40000 Marvides.*

*In London 200 pounds delivered by exchange for Vigo, 374 Marvides the Ducat of 5 s. 10 d. sterling, maketh 256457  $\frac{2}{3}$  Marvides: the which to return and gain 10 li. upon the 100 pounds in London, say by the Rule of three direct, if 220 li. require 256457  $\frac{2}{3}$  Marvides: what 5 s. 10 d? Work, and finde 340 Marvides, the price of every Ducat in return, which is the effect in the question required.*

These may seem sufficient for instructions.

**N**otwithstanding for thy further aid and benefit, hereafter follow six speciall and most brieft Rules of Practice, for English, French, and Flemish money.



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|---|----------|-------------------------------------------|
| 1 | teacheth | How to turn Flemmish to English sterling. |
| 2 |          | How to turn English sterling to Flemmish. |
| 3 |          | How to turn Flemmish to French.           |
| 4 |          | How to turn French into Flemmish.         |
| 5 |          | How to turn Sterling into French.         |
| 6 |          | How to turn French into Sterling.         |

The fifteenth Chapter intreateth of the said six Rules of brevity, and of valuation of *English*, *Flemmish* and *French* money, and how each of them may easily bee brought to others value.

*How briefly to reduce pounds, shillings, and pence Flemmish into pounds, shillings, and pence English sterling.*



It is to be noted, that 7 pounds *Flemmish* maketh but 6 pounds sterling: 7 s *Flemmish* maketh 6 s sterling, and 7 d. *Flemmish* 6 d. sterling so that 7 yeeldeth but 6. Wherein is evident that then is lost  $\frac{1}{7}$ , (if it may be so called) when it is reduced into *English* money: wherefore to know how much 233 l.—13 s.—4 d. *Flemmish* maketh *English*, you must subtract from it  $\frac{1}{7}$ , beginning with the pounds, &c. and that which resteth after this subtraction, is the summe required: so that 233 li.—13 s.—4 d. *Flemmish*, maketh 200 li. 5s. 8  $\frac{4}{7}$  d. sterling.

Ex-ample

Example.

| li.              | s. | d.                   |
|------------------|----|----------------------|
| 233              | 13 | 4                    |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 33 | 7  | $7\frac{1}{2}$       |
| 200              | 5  | $8\frac{1}{2}$ Ster. |

Another Example

| li.              | s. | d.             |
|------------------|----|----------------|
| 311              | 0  | 0              |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 44 | 8  | $6\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 266              | 11 | $5\frac{1}{2}$ |

Rule 2.

To reduce pounds, shillings, and pence sterling, into pounds, shillings, and pence Flemmish.

Note that a pound sterling maketh 1 li. 3 s. 4 d. Flemmish: that is, 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  li.: 1 s. sterling maketh 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. Flemmish, and 1 d. sterling maketh 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. Flemmish. So that there is gained (if it may be so called)  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the summe being thus reduced to Flemmish, for of 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  is made  $\frac{7}{8}$  which is one whole and  $\frac{1}{8}$ . Then to know how much 237 li. 7 s. 6 d. sterling maketh Flemmish, Subtract from your sterling the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole summe, & adde it to the same summe, & it maketh 276 li. 18 s. 4 d. which is the summe required.

Example.

| li.              | s. | d.      |
|------------------|----|---------|
| 237              | 7  | 6 Ster. |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 39 | 11 | 3       |
| 276              | 18 | 9 Flem. |

Another Example.

| li.              | s. | d. |
|------------------|----|----|
| 337              |    |    |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 56 | 3  | 4  |
| 393              | 3  | 4  |

Rule 3.

To reduce pounds, shillings, and pence Flemmish, into pounds, shillings, and pence French.

Ye shall note, that the equality of Flemmish and French money is this, that is to say, the pound Flemmish, maketh 7 pound  $\frac{1}{2}$  French, or Turnois. 1 s. Flemmish maketh 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  s. French, and a groat Flemmish maketh 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. French.

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Wherefore to know how much 143 li. 4 s. 9 d. Flemmish maketh French, ye must multiply the whole number twice by 6, beginning at pence, and so forward, and the Product of your second multiplication divide by 5, so the work is finished. Or multiply the said summe by 7, and take out of it  $\frac{1}{2}$  adding it to the Product of your multiplication by 7. and that is your number required. So that as well by the one as by the other, 143 li. 4 s. 9 d. Flemmish, maketh 103 l. 6 s. 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. French or Turnois.

Example.

| li.                | s. | d.              |       |
|--------------------|----|-----------------|-------|
| 143                | 4  | 9               | Flem. |
|                    |    |                 | 6     |
| <hr/>              |    |                 |       |
| 859                | 8  | 6               |       |
|                    |    |                 | 6     |
| <hr/>              |    |                 |       |
| 5156               | 11 | 0               | Fren. |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 1031 | 6  | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | Fren. |

Another Example.

|                                         |  |
|-----------------------------------------|--|
| 143 l. Flem.                            |  |
| 6                                       |  |
| <hr/>                                   |  |
| 858                                     |  |
| 6                                       |  |
| <hr/>                                   |  |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 5148 French.              |  |
| <hr/>                                   |  |
| 1029 li. $\frac{1}{2}$ or 12 s. French. |  |

The same otherwise.

| li.              | s. | d.               |
|------------------|----|------------------|
| 143              | 4  | 9                |
|                  |    | 7                |
| <hr/>            |    |                  |
| 1002             | 13 | 3                |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 28 | 12 | 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| <hr/>            |    |                  |
| 1031             | 6  | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  |

Or thus :

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 143              |  |
| 7                |  |
| <hr/>            |  |
| 1001             |  |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 28 |  |
| <hr/>            |  |
| 1029 li. 12      |  |

Rule 4.

To reduce pounds, shillings, and pence, French, into pounds, shillings, and pence, Flemish.

Multiply 233 li.—8 s.—4 d French by 5, and divide the Product twice by 6, that is, the said number by 6, and the Product or Quotient again by 6, and the quotient of this second Division is the thing required. So that 233 li.—8 s.—4 d. French, maketh 32 li.—8 s.—4  $\frac{1}{9}$  d. Flemish.

Example.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{li.} \quad \text{s.} \quad \text{d.} \\
 233 \text{---} 8 \text{---} 4 \text{ Fren.} \\
 \hline
 \phantom{233} \phantom{8} \phantom{4} 5 \\
 \hline
 1167 \text{---} 1 \text{---} 8 \\
 \frac{2}{3} 194 \text{---} 10 \text{---} 3 \frac{1}{3} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{3} 32 \text{---} 8 \text{---} 4 \frac{1}{9} \text{ Flem.}
 \end{array}$$

Another Example.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{li.} \quad \text{s.} \quad \text{d.} \\
 753 \text{ French.} \\
 \hline
 \phantom{753} \phantom{French.} 5 \\
 \hline
 3765 \text{---} \\
 \frac{1}{3} 627 \text{---} 10 \text{---} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{3} 104 \text{---} 11 \text{---} 8 \text{ Flem.}
 \end{array}$$

Rule 5.

To reduce pounds, shillings, and pence Sterling, into pounds, shillings, and pence, French, or Turnois.

The pound Sterling maketh 8 li. 8 s. French, that is to say, 8  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds: the shillings maketh 8  $\frac{2}{3}$  shillings, and the peny 8  $\frac{2}{3}$  d. French. Wherefore to know what 231 li. 13 s. 4 d. Sterling maketh French, ye must multiply the whole summe by 42, that is, by 7. and the Product of it by 6. and divide this second Product by 5. and that is the summe required.

Otherwise, multiply the summe Sterling by 8, and adde twice to the Product  $\frac{1}{3}$ . and it shall produce the summe required. So that both waies 231 li.—13 s.—4 d. Sterling, maketh 194  $\frac{1}{3}$  pound French, as here under followeth.

Example

# Monies,

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*Example.*

| li. | s. | d. | Ster. |
|-----|----|----|-------|
| 231 | 13 | 4  |       |
|     |    | 6  |       |

*The same otherwise. Sterling:*

| li. | s. | d. |
|-----|----|----|
| 331 | 13 | 4  |
|     |    | 8  |

|      |   |   |
|------|---|---|
| 1390 | 0 | 0 |
|      |   | 7 |

|      |   |   |
|------|---|---|
| 1853 | 6 | 8 |
| 46   | 6 | 8 |
| 46   | 6 | 8 |

|                    |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| $\frac{1}{2}$ 9730 | 0 | 0 |
|--------------------|---|---|

|      |   |   |
|------|---|---|
| 1946 | 0 | 0 |
|------|---|---|

$\frac{1}{2}$  1946 0 0 *Fren.*

*French.*

*Another example.*

*The same.*

*Sterling.*

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| 753 |
| 6   |

*ster.*

|     |
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| 753 |
| 8   |

|      |
|------|
| 4518 |
| 7    |

|      |
|------|
| 6024 |
|------|

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|---------------|-----|----|
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 150 | 12 |
|---------------|-----|----|

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|-------|
| 31626 |
|-------|

|               |     |    |
|---------------|-----|----|
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 150 | 12 |
|---------------|-----|----|

*French. 1*

$\frac{1}{2}$  6325 4 *Fren.*

6325 4 *Rule 6.*

*To reduce pounds, shillings, and pence, French, into pounds, shillings, and pence, sterling.*

To know how much 1256 li. 12 s. 6 d. *French* maketh in sterling money : multiply the summe by 5, and divide the Product by 7 and 6 at twice, and the last Quotient shall be the thing required, that is to say, 1256 li. 12 s. 6 d. maketh 149 pounds, 11 s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  d. sterling.

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*Example.*

Example,

Another example.

li. s. d. *French.*  
 1256 — 12 — 6  
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6283 — 2 — 6  
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$\frac{2}{5}$  1047 — 3 — 9  
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$\frac{1}{2}$  149 — 11 — 11  $\frac{4}{7}$  Ster.  
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li. s. d.  
 2531 — 0 — 0 *French.*  
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12655  
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$\frac{2}{5}$  2109 — 3 — 4  
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$\frac{1}{2}$  301 — 6 — 2  $\frac{2}{7}$  Ster.  
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Note, that when any money is given by exchange at *London* for *Roan* at  $71\frac{1}{2}$  d. or rather  $71\frac{1}{7}$  for the Crown of 50 s. *French*, there is neither gain nor losse: for it is one money for another, accounting 8 li. 8 s. *French*, for one pound sterling. So the giver loseth the time of payment, which is about 15 dayes, and he that taketh it, hath the gain of the same.

They of *Roan*, that put forth or take money by exchange for *London*, ought to have like consideration.

*Item*, When any man giveth at *London* 64 pence  $\frac{1}{2}$ , or rather  $65\frac{2}{7}$  d. to have at one of the fairs of *Lions* a Crown *de Marc*, he that so giveth the money, loseth the time, and he that taketh it, gaineth the same: for 62 pence  $\frac{2}{7}$  is equall in value to 45 s. *French*. He that putteth or taketh mony at *Lions* for *London*, ought to consider the same.

*Item*, when any deliver in *Antwerp* 75 pence, to receive at *Lions* a Crowne *de Marc* he that putteth it forth, loseth the time, and he that take it gaineth the same. For 75 groats Flemmish is equall in value to 45 s. *French*,

Thus for this time I make an end of the Practice of  
 Exchange,



*Exchange, and the instructions thereunto belonging, and according to my promise : yet further to graisfie such as are desirous to know the common Coynes used for trafficke among merchants in these Cities following, a brieft declaration of their moneyes, and the reckonings, and account of them I will here set downe.*

The sixteenth Chapter containeth a Declaration of the valuation and diuersity of Coyns of most places of Christendome for traffick ; And the manner of exchange in those places from one City or Town to another : which known, is right necessary for Merchants, by means whereof they do finde the gain or losse upon the exchange.

**I***tem*, for as much as the greatest diversity of money of exchange is at *Lions* ; therefore I will begin duely of the money of that place.

At *Lions* they use Franks, Soulx, and Deniers Turnois. A Frank maketh 20 Soulx, and one Soulx 12 Deniers ; but the Merchants to keep their Bookes of accounts, doe use French crownes of the marke at 45 Soulx the piece, and doe divide it into 20 Soulx, one Soulx is 12 Deniers.

*Item*, a mark of gold maketh 65  $\Delta$  of the mark, which serveth for exchange, and divide it into 8 ounces, the ounce into 24 pence or deniers, the denier into 24 grains, and so the summe or whole by imagination or guesse.

$\Delta$  This mark standeth for a Crown.

Also at *Lions* there are four Fairs in a year, at the which they doe commonly exchange, which are

from 3 moneths to three moneths.

At *Geans* they use the Soulx : one Ducat maketh 3 pound.

At *Naples* they use Ducats, Taries, and Grains ; the Ducat maketh five Taries, and one Tary 20 Grains : but they take 6 Dueats which maketh 30 Taries for the ounce.

A Ducat maketh ten Carlins, and a Carlin ten grains, so that 2 Carlins make a Tary, and 100 Grains make a Ducat.

At *Rome* they use the Ducats of the Chamber ; one Ducat is worth 12 Guillis, and one Guillis ten Soulx.

At *Venice* they use Ducats currant at 124 Soulx a piece, or 24 Deniers, & one Denier maketh 32 Picolis.

At *Palerm*e and *Messina* they write, after ounce, tary, and grains, and one ounce is worth 6 Ducats of 30 Taries, and 1 tary is 20 Grains, and 1 grain 6 Picolis, 1 Ducat is also worth 24 Carlins.

At *Millan* they use li. s. d., of Ducat Imperials, and  $\Delta$  of exchange is worth 4 li.

At *Lucques*, *Florence*, and *Ancone*, they use the  $\Delta$  of Gold : in Gold the *French* Crowne is worth 7 li. but at *Boloigne* 3 li. 10 s.

At *Barcelone* they use the Soulx : the Ducat of exchange is worth 22 Soulx.

At *Valence* and *Saragosse* they use the Liver, Soulx, and Denier : the *French* Crowne of exchange is worth 20 Soulx, and one Soulx is 12 Deniers.

At the Fairs of *Castile* they use the Marvides, the Ducat is worth 375 Marvides.

At *Lisbone* they use the Rayes, one Ducat of exchange is worth 400 Rayes.

At *Norenb*urg, *Frankesford*, and *August* in *Germany*

many, they use the *Krantzers*, whereof 60 make a Floren.

At *Antwerp* they use li. s. d. de Gros, and they exchange into the *Denier de Gros*, to wit, our English peny.

At *London* they use the li. the s. and d. sterling, and they exchange in pence sterling.

*The exchange of Lions at sundry places.*

*Item*, at *Lions* there is exchange in three sorts, at the Cities and towns following.

First, they deliver at *Lions* one mark to have or receive at *Naples* almost 41  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ducats, at *Venice* 70 ducats curreant, at *Rome* 63 ducats of the Chamber, at *Lucques* and *Florence* 65  $\Delta$  of Gold, at *Millan* 82  $\Delta$ .

And contrariwise, at the said Cities aforesaid they doe give so much of money, to have a mark of *Lions*.

Secondly, they give at *Lisbone* one of  $\Delta$  of Mark of 45 *Soulx* *Turnois* a piece, to have at *Geans* almost 68 *Soulx*, at *Palerm* and *Messine* almost 24 *Carlins*, at *Barcelone* 22 *Soulx*, at *Valence* or *Saragosse* 20 *Soulx*, at the *Faire* at *Castile* 350 *Marveides*, at *Lisbone* 360 *Rayes*, in *Antwerp* 57 *Deniers de Gros*, and at *London*, 70 d. sterling.

And contrariwise, they give in the said Cities almost as much of their money to have a French Crown of the mark at *Lions*.

Thirdly, they do give at *Lions* a  $\Delta$  of the Sun to have almost 93 *Krentzars* at *Frankeford*, *Angsburg*, *Noremberge*, or other Cities in *Almain*.

Also at *Lions* onely they do pay, they change the  $\frac{1}{2}$  in Gold, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in money, or else all in money, in giving 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  for the hundreth.

*Changes at Naples and other Towns.*

*Item*, at *Naples* they give or deliver almost 112 Ducats, to receive at *Rome* 100 Ducats of the Chamber at the old value.

Through *Lucques* and *Florence* they deliver 100 Ducats Carlins, to receive there almost 86  $\Delta$  of Gold.

Through *Palerm* and *Messine*, one Ducat of 5 Tary, to receive there almost 164 grains.

Through *Millain*, one Ducat to receive there almost 90 Soulx.

Through *Geans*, one ducat to receive there almost 65 Soulx. The whole summe to be paid within ten dayes after the sight of the Bill of exchange.

Also at *Naples*, they deliver one ducat to receive in *Antwerp* almost 67 d. or Deniers de Gros, within two moneths. At *London* almost 60 d. sterling in three moneths. At *Barselone* almost 20 Soulx within two moneths.

At *Valence* almost 18 Soulx within two moneths. At *Lisbone* 333 Rayes within three moneths: and at the Fair at *Castile* almost 340 Marvides.

*Change of Venice to other places.*

At *Venice* they deliver 100 Ducats currant to receive in *Almain* almost 140 Florens at 60 Krentzers the piece.

At *Lucques* and *Florence* almost 108  $\Delta$  of Gold in 10 dayes.

Likewise at *Venice* they deliver a Ducat currant to receive at *Palerm* and *Messine* almost 21 Carlins: at *Millan* almost 93 Soulx: at *Geans* almost 69 Soulx, the whole at 10 dayes end.

*Of the Pair or Pari.*

As touching the exchange, it is necessary to understand or know the *Pair*, which the *Italians* call *Pari*, which is no other thing then to make the money of the change of one City or Town, to or with the money of another, by means whereof they doe finde the gains or losse upon the exchange.

*Example.*

*Item*, having received Letters of credit of one of *Antwerp*, that the  $\Delta$  of the sunne is there worth 7 *Souls*: The question is, what the same is worth at *London*, when the *Pair* of exchange goeth for 23 shillings?

Answer, *Say*, if 23 give but 20, what giveth 7? *Werke*, and finde 81. 1.  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. and so much is the  $\Delta$  of the Sun worth at *London*.

The seventeenth Chapter containeth also a Declaration of the diversity of the Weights and Measures of most places of Christendome for traffique. At the end of which discourse are two Tables, the one for Weight, and the other for Measure, proportionate and reduced to an equality of our *English* Measure and Weight, by the aide whereof, the ingenious may easily by the *Rule of Three*, convert the one into the other at pleasure, &c.



At *London*, and so all *England* thorow, are used 2 kinde of Weights and Measures, as the *Troy* weight, & the *Haberdepoise*. From the *Troy* weight is derived the proportion and quantity of all kinde of dry and liquid Measures, as *Pecks*, *Bushels*, *Quarters*, &c.

wherewith is bought and sold all kinde of grain and other Commodities meet by the Bushell. And in liquid, Ale, Beere, Wine, Oyle, Butter, Honey, &c. Upon these grounds and Statutes is bread made, and sold by the *Troy* weight : and so is Gold, Silver, Pearle, precious Stones, and Jewels. The least quantity of this *Troy* weight is a grain : twenty four of these graines make a penny weight, twenty penny-weights an Ounce, and twelve ounces a pound, two pounds or pints of this weight maketh a quart. And so ascending into bigger quantities, is produced the Measures whereby are sold our other naturall sustenance : viz. Ale or Beere, with all other necessary commodities, as Butter, Hony, Herrings, Eeles, Sope, &c. All which last before rehearsed, though their Measures (wherein they are contained) bee framed and derived from the *Troy* weight, yet are they in traffique with divers Commodities, as Lead, Tinne, Flax, Wax, with all other commodities, both of this Realme, and of other forraine Countries whatsoever, bought and sold by the *Haberdepoise* weight after sixteen ounces to the pound, and 112 pound to the hundred weight. And to every hundred is allowed but 12 pound weight at the common-beam. From hence is also derived the weight of *Suffolke* Cheese, which containeth thirty two Cloves, 8 pound to a Clove, and weigheth in all 256 pounds. And also the Barrell of *Suffolke* Butter is, or should be of like weight with the weight of Cheese, viz. 256 pounds. More 14 of these pounds make a Stone, and 26 Stone containeth a Sacke of *English* Woll : Forraine Wool, to wit, *French*, *Spanish*, and *Estrich*, is also sold by the pound, or C. weight, but most Commonly by the  
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Rove, 25 pound to a Rove : other commodities of Tale, are bought and sold by the C. fivescore to the C. except headed ware, to wit, Cattell, Nails, & Fish, which are sold after sixscore to the C. There are also two other sort of measures, to wit, the Ell and the yard. By the Ell is usually meere Linnen cloth, as Canvas, &c. And by the yard Silks, woollen clothes, &c.

*Antwerp.*

At *Antwerp* are also two sorts of weights, their Gold and Silver weight and their common weight. Gold and Silver is weighed by the mark, the mark is 8 ounces, the ounce 20 esterlings, and the esterling 32, as our grains. The Goldsmiths divide that into smaller, but not the Merchants. The proof of Gold is made by Kareets, whereof 24 maketh a marke of fine Gold, the Kareet is 24 grains : the proof of the money is made by Deniers : 12 Deniers is 1 s. fine, that is, a mark of fine silver : the Denier also is divided into 24 grains, & the grain into soure quarters.

*Item*, 100 marks in *Antwerp* Troy weight, maketh at *Lions* 103 marks, 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces, and 20 grains 23 d. At *Noremberg* 103 marks 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces, 2 Quints, 3 Deniers ; at *Frankesford* 105 marks : at *Amburg* 104 marks, 3 ounces, 1 Quint : at *Venice* 103 marks, 1 ounce, 7. Deniers. 18 grains : at *London* 66 pounds.

*The Mark of gold or silver at Antwerp, Troy weight, which is 8 ounces, maketh 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces common weight, with which all other Merchandize is weighed. So that the Troy weight is greater then the common weight by 6  $\frac{1}{4}$  in the C. By this weight of Troy, they also weigh Musk, Amber, Pearl, &c.*

*All silks are bought at Antwerp, by the Barges Ell,*  
which

which is greater then the common measure, by which they retaile by 2 in the hundred. Their common Ell is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of our yard, and  $\frac{2}{5}$  of our Ell.

*Lions.*

At *Lions* is used 3 sorts of weight, whereof the first is the common Towne weight, with which they weigh all kind of Spicery, and divers other Merchandize. The second is called *Geneva* weight, which is 8 in the C. greater then the common weight, with which they weigh Silks, &c. The third is *French* weight, called commonly the mark weight, and 100 pounds thereof maketh 106  $\frac{1}{4}$  li. *Geneva*, and 114  $\frac{1}{4}$  of their common weight: with which *French* weight, is weighed all things that paid Custome or Toll.

At *Lions* is also used two sorts of Ells or Aulnes. The one wherewith they measure grosse clothes, as Canvasse, and such like. The other is called the *French* Ell or Aulne, with which they measure all other kind of Merchandize, whereof 7 common Towne Ells maketh 11 ordinary *French* ell.

*Roan.*

At *Roan*, 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  Muides of Salt, being the measure of the place, make a C. at *Armviden* in *Zeland*, and the C. of *Bronage* measure of *Armviden*, maketh at *Roan* 11 Muides. 30 Muides make a Last of Corn. and 16 a Last of Oats, 100 pound weight there, maketh at *London* 114  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and 190  $\frac{1}{4}$  at *Antwerp*. And 200 Ells make at *London*, 115  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

*Noremburge.*

A 100 pound weight at *Noremburge* maketh at  
*London*

*London* 111  $\frac{3}{4}$ ; at *Antwerp* 107  $\frac{1}{7}$ . and 100 Ells at *Noremburge* make at *London* 75  $\frac{1}{5}$ , at *Antwerp* 95  $\frac{3}{5}$ , &c.

*Lisbone*

The C. weight at *Lisbone* maketh 4 Roves, every Rove 32 pounds, so that their C. weight is 128 pounds, and their pound containeth 14 Ounces, and 100 pounds of their weight maketh at *London* 113  $\frac{1}{8}$ .

Their Silke, Cloth of Gold, and Woollen is measured with a measure which they call a cubit, containing about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a Vаре of *Castile*. Howbeit their common Measure is called a Varre, which maketh five Palms, and containeth 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a Varre of *Castile*, our Ell of *London* is equall with the Varre of *Lisbone*.

All kinde of Merchandize brought from *Flanders*, *Roan*, or *Brittain*, payeth at *Lisbone*, as a duty or custome to the King, 20 in the C. which they call the tenth in Merchandize, and the other tenth in money.

Note also, that all kinde of Merchandize comming to *Lisbone* by land, payeth lesse in custome, then that that commeth by water.

*Sivill.*

The Rove of *Sivill* is 30 pound, 4 Roves make their C. weight, which is 120 pounds. The 100 pounds of *Sivill* maketh at *London* 102 pounds. Their other common measure is a Varre, whereof 100 maketh at *London* 74 Ells, and at *Rome* 40 Canes, &c.

*Venice.*

At *Venice* bee two sorts of weight, the one called *la Grosse*, the other *la Suttle*; with the *grosse* is weighed

weighed all kinde of great wares, and with the small all kind of spicery, and such like : 96 pounds of grosse weight there maketh at *London* 100 pound, and 100 pounds of spicery there, without any tare or allowance, make at *London* 94, and with tare 65.

Their owne common Measure are Braces, whereof 100 make at *London* 55  $\frac{1}{2}$  ells, at *Antwerp* 92  $\frac{1}{2}$ , &c.

#### *Florence.*

At *Florence* the 100 lib. weight maketh at *Aquila*, for Saffron, 110, and 145 pounds of *Florence*, make at *Roan* but 100 pounds; the weight of *Florence*, and that of *Lucque* is all one.

Their other measures are Braces, whereof 100 maketh at *Antwerp*, *Barges* measure, 81  $\frac{2}{3}$  els, 100 Braces there, make at *London* 49 els, &c.

#### *Lucque.*

The *Lucque* Sattens commonly sold at *Lions* by weight, and 133  $\frac{1}{3}$  pounds maketh at *Lions* 100 pound, so that 1 pound  $\frac{1}{3}$  maketh at *Lions* but one pound.

Their other measures are Braces whereof 100 of them make at *London* 50 ells, at *Antwerp* 83  $\frac{1}{2}$  ells, &c.

#### *Aquila.*

At *Aquila*, their 100 pounds maketh at *London* 71  $\frac{1}{4}$ , their 136  $\frac{2}{3}$  pounds of saffron maketh at *Geneva* but 100, and 11 li. of *Geneva*, maketh 15 li. at *Aquila*.

#### *Valentia.*

At *Valentia* be two sorts of weights, a great and

a small. The C. weight or great weight containeth four Roves, the Rove 36 li. so the C. great weight is 144 li. and the C. weight small containeth but 120 pounds, and is also parted into four Roves, which is 30 pounds to a Rove. By the small is sold the scarlet grain, with all other kind of spicery, and by the great is sold wooll, with all such like grosse wares. The  $1\frac{2}{3}$  pounds of Silke at *Valentia*, maketh at *Lions* one pound *Geneva* weight. The charge of great Merchandize at *Valentia* containeth 432 pounds, and in small wares 360 pounds.

The weight here and at *Barsellone* is all one.

Their 100 pound weight maketh at *London* 78 pound, at *Antwerp* 75.

### *Dansicke.*

At *Dansick* or *Spruceland* the rule is, that whosoever buyeth any merchandize there, buyeth it by the ship-pound, which, is 320 li. 20 Lisponds make a ship-pound, and the Lispond containeth 16 pound, which ship-pound of *Dansick* maketh at *Antwerp* 266 $\frac{2}{3}$  li. Their 100 li. weight maketh at *London* 86, &c.

Their other common measures are ells, whereof 100 maketh at *London* 72 $\frac{1}{4}$ , and at *Antwerp* 120 $\frac{1}{2}$  ells.

### *Toulhouse.*

At *Toulhouse* 6 cabses of Woad maketh a charge, two cisterns of corn-measure, and all kinde of grain maketh a charge, the Cistern weigheth 160 l. weight of that place. Their 100 in weight maketh at *London* but 91 $\frac{1}{4}$  pound.

*Grans.*

At *Genua* or *Geans*, 100 li. of their weight maketh at *London*  $71 \frac{1}{4}$ , and at *Antwerp*  $68 \frac{2}{3}$ . 100 li. weight at *Genua*, maketh at *Venice*, to Suttle wit, 106 li.

Their other common Measures are *Palmes*, whereof 100 make at *London*  $20 \frac{2}{5}$  Ells, and at *Antwerp*  $34 \frac{2}{5}$ .

The rest are supplied in two Tables, which hereafter followeth: whereby the ingenious may gather his desire.

The Table of the agreement of the weights of divers Countries, the one with the other, being reduced to an equality, as followeth.

|                                      |                    |                     |                                     |                       |                     |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 112 pounds weight at London, make at | Antwerp            | 107 $\frac{1}{5}$   | 112 pounds weight at London make at | Venice gross weight.  | } 105 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|                                      | Frankford          | 099                 |                                     |                       |                     |
|                                      | Colen and Ausburgh | } 102 $\frac{1}{4}$ |                                     | Venice suttle weight. | } 166 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|                                      | Noremburg.         |                     |                                     |                       |                     |
|                                      | Roan               | 098                 |                                     | Aquina                | 157 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
|                                      | Paris              | 102 $\frac{1}{4}$   |                                     | Vienna                | 089 $\frac{3}{4}$   |
|                                      | Lions              | 118 $\frac{1}{5}$   |                                     | Preslaw               | 134 $\frac{2}{3}$   |
|                                      | Deep               | 100 $\frac{1}{4}$   |                                     | Leipsig               | 101 $\frac{1}{4}$   |
|                                      | Geneva             | 090 $\frac{1}{8}$   |                                     | Dansick               | 129 $\frac{1}{4}$   |
|                                      | Toulouse           | 122 $\frac{1}{4}$   |                                     | Lubeck                | 097 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
|                                      | Rochell            | 124 $\frac{1}{4}$   |                                     | Barcellona            | 144 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
|                                      | Marsellis          | 124 $\frac{3}{4}$   |                                     | Lisbone               | 099                 |
|                                      | Sivill, &c.        | 109 $\frac{1}{4}$   |                                     | Geans                 | 157 $\frac{1}{2}$   |

The other Table of agreement of Measures of divers Countries reduced unto an equality, by the aid whereof you may with the use of the Rule of three, convert either more or lesse of any one Measure unto the other.

*Antwerp*



|                                                 |                          |                    |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                                                 | <i>Antwerp</i>           | 100                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Noremberg</i>         | 104 $\frac{1}{2}$  |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Frankeford</i>        | 125                | } <i>Ells.</i>   |
|                                                 | <i>Leipfig</i>           | 125                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Preslaw</i>           | 125                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Danfick</i>           | 183                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Vienna in Austria</i> | 87                 |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Lions in France</i>   | 60 $\frac{3}{4}$   | } <i>Aulnes.</i> |
|                                                 | <i>Paris in France</i>   | 57                 |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Roan in Normandy</i>  | 52                 |                  |
| 60 Ells, or<br>75 Yards<br>at London<br>make at | <i>Lisbone</i>           | 60                 |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Sivil in Spain</i>    | 81                 | } <i>Varres.</i> |
|                                                 | <i>Castile in Spain</i>  | 81                 |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Methera Isles</i>     | 62                 |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Venice</i>            | 108                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Lucques</i>           | 120                | } <i>Braces.</i> |
|                                                 | <i>Florence</i>          | 122 $\frac{1}{2}$  |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Millain</i>           | 138                |                  |
|                                                 | <i>Rome</i>              | 90                 | — <i>Canes.</i>  |
|                                                 | <i>Geans</i>             | 288 $\frac{6}{13}$ | — <i>Palms.</i>  |

The eighteenth Chapter treateth of Sports,  
and Pastimes, done by number.

**I**F you would know the number that any man doth think or imagine in his minde, as though you could divine, bid them triple it, or put twice so much more to it as it is, which done, aske him whether it be even or odd; if he say odde, bid him take one to it, to make it even, and for that one, keepe one in your minde. Now after he hath taken one to it, to make it even,

even, bid him give away half, and keep the other half for himself, which when he hath done, bid him triple that half, and again, after he hath tripled it; aske him whether it be even or odde: if hee say odde, then bid him take one to make it even again, and for that last one, keep two in your minde: now after hee hath made his number even, bid him cast away the one halfe, and keep the other still, from which halfe that he keepeth, cause him subtilly to put away or give you nine out of his number, as oft as he can, and for each 9 that he giveth you, keep in mind, and thereunto joyn the 3 which I bad you keep, and you shall have your desire.

#### Example.

*Imagine he thought 7, the triple whereof is 21, and because it is odde, he is to take 1 to make it even, which first 1 given, is for you to keep in mind. Then the halfe of his 22 being cast away, he reserveth still 11, which after you have bid him triple, it maketh 33: then in giving of him one again to make it even, upon that last 1 reserve 2 in your minde, then his halfe of 34 maketh 17; from whence he can give you 9 but once. Therefore that yeelding to you 4, and the 3 that you keep, make 7 your desire.*

Another kind of Divination, to tell your friend how many pence of single pieces, reckoning them one with another, he hath in his purse, or should think in his mind.

*Which to doe, first bid him double the pieces he hath in his purse, or the number he thinketh (if he participate his number or secrecie unto some one friend that sitteth by him that can but multiplie, and adde never*

*so little, if their number be great, then shall they worke as you bid them so much the surer.)*

Now after he hath doubled his number, bid him adde thereunto 5 more; which done, bid him multiply that his number by 5 also; which done, bid him tell you the just summe of his last multiplication, which summe the giver thinketh it nothing available, because it is so great above his pretended imagination: yet thereby shall you presently with the help of Subtraction tell his proposed number.

The Rule is this.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Imagine he thought 17, double 17, and it</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 17                                                                |
| <i>maketh 34, whereunto if you adde 5, it maketh 39: which multiplied by 5, as here is practised, it yieldeth 195, which 195 is the summe delivered you in the worke: then for a generall Rule you shall evermore cut off the last figure toward your right hand, with a dash of your pen, as here is performed, as a figure nothing available un:o your work, and then rebate 2 from your first figure, after 5 is cut off, and the rest shall evermore be your desire, as by this example doth appear.</i> | 2<br><hr/> 34<br>5<br><hr/> 39<br>5<br><hr/> 195<br>2<br><hr/> 17 |

*Another of a Ring.*

If in any company you are disposed to make them merry by manner of divining, in delivering a Ring unto any one of them, which after you have delivered it unto them, that you will absent your selfe from them, and they to devise after you are gone, which of them shall have the keeping thereof, and that you at your return will tell them what

person hath it, upon what hand, upon what finger, and what joynt : Which to doe, cause the persons to sit down all in a row, and to keep likewise an order of their fingers : now, after ye are gone out from them to some other place, say unto one of the lookers on, that he double the numbers of him that hath the Ring, and unto the double bid him adde 5. and then caule him to multiply the Addition by 5, and unto the product bid him adde the number of the finger of the person that hath the Ring. And lastly, to end the work, beyond that number, towards his right hand, let him set down a figure signifying upon which of the joynts he hath the Ring, as if it be upon the second joynt, let him put down 2. Then demand of him what number he keepeth, from the which you shall abate 250, and you shall have three figures remaining at the least. The first towards your left hand, shall signifie the number of the person which hath the Ring, the second or middle number shall declare the number of the finger, and the last figure towards your right hand shall betoken the number of the joynt.

### Example.

*Imagine the seventh person is determined to keep the Ring upon the fifth finger, and the third joynt : first double 7, it maketh 14, thereto adde 5, it maketh 19, which multiplied by 5, yeeldeth 95, unto which 95, adde the number of the finger, and it maketh 100 : and beyond 100 toward the right hand, I set down 3 the number of the joynt, all maketh 1003, which is the number that is to be delivered you, from which abating 205, there resteth 753, which prefigureth unto you the seventh person, the fifth finger, and the third joynt.*

*But*

*But note, that when you have made your subtraction, if there doe remain 0, in the place of tens, that is to say, in the second place, you must then abate 1, from the figure which is in the place of the hundreds, that is to wit, from the figure which is next your left hand, and that shall be worth 10 tenths, signifying the tenth finger, as if there should remain 803, you must say, that the seventh person upon his tenth finger, and upon his third joynt, bath the Ring.*

*Another of three Dice.*

If a man doe cast 3 Dice, you may know the points of one of every of them. For if you cause him to double the points of one Die, and to the double to adde 5, and the same summe to multiply by 5, and unto the product adde the points of one of the other Dice; and behind the number towards the right hand, to put the figure which signifieth the points of the last Die, and then aske what number he keepeth, from which abate 250, and there will remaine 3 figures, which doe note unto you the points of every Die.

*Another of things hidden.*

If three divers things are to be hidden of three divers persons, and you to divine which of the three persons hath the three divers things, doe thus: imagine the three things to be represented *A, B, C*. Then secondly, keep well in your mind which of the persons you mean to be the first, second, and third. Then take 24 Counters or Stones, and your three things, and give *A* to the party whom you imagine to be your first man, and therewithall give him one of your 24 Counters in his hand, & *B*, unto your second man,

and therewithall 2 Counters, and *C*, unto your third man, and therewithall 3 Counters : and leave the rest, which are 18, still among them : which done, separate your selfe from them, and afterwards bid them change the things among them as they shall think good : which done, after they are agreed, bid him that hath such a thing, as before you have represented by *A*, for every Counter that he hath in his hand, to take up as many more. And for him that hath *B*, for every one in his hand to take up 2. And for him that hath *C*, for every one in his hand to take up 4, and the rest of them to leave still upon the board. These 3 things, and the three persons being fully printed in your minde, come to the Table, and you shall evermore finde out of these 6 numbers, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7. If therefore one remaine still upon the board, then have they made no exchange, but keep them still as they were delivered unto them. So that the first man hath *A*, the second *B*, and the third man *C*. But if 2 remain, then the first man hath *B*, your second man *A*, and your third man *C*. The rest of the work and the order thereof are here apparent by the Table following.

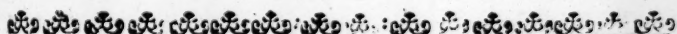
|     |          |     |          |
|-----|----------|-----|----------|
| 1   | <i>A</i> | 1   | <i>B</i> |
| 1 2 | <i>B</i> | 5 2 | <i>C</i> |
| 3   | <i>C</i> | 3   | <i>A</i> |
| 1   | <i>A</i> | 1   | <i>C</i> |
| 2 2 | <i>B</i> | 6 2 | <i>A</i> |
| 3   | <i>C</i> | 3   | <i>B</i> |
| 1   | <i>C</i> | 1   | <i>C</i> |
| 2 2 | <i>B</i> | 7 2 | <i>B</i> |
| 3   | <i>A</i> | 3   | <i>A</i> |



*Another divination of a number upon the  
Casting of two Dice.*

First let the Caster cast both the Dice, and mark well the number: then let him take up one of them, it maketh no matter which, and look what number it hath in the bottom, and adde all together: then cast the Die again, and keep in his mind what all together maketh: then let the Dice stand, and bring seven with you, and thereunto adde the rest of the pits that you see upon the upper side of the Dice, and so many did the Caster cast in all.

FINIS.



An Appendix concerning the Resolution of the *Square* and *Cube* in Numbers, to the finding of their sides by *Ro. Hartwel.*



*Figurate Number is a number made by the multiplication of one number or more by another.*

A figurate number whar.

*The sides of a figurative number, are the numbers by whose multiplication it is made.*

The sides of a figurate number whar.

A Figurate number is two-fold, a { Plain.

Solid.

And { Of one Multiplica-  
it is { tion.  
Or consequently of { as a { Plain.  
many. { Solid.

And in each { Both Equilater.

{ And Inequilater.

A figurate number made of one multiplication by two sides or numbers multiplyed together, is called a plain figurate number.

A plain  
figurate  
number.

For every number made by the mutuall multiplication of two numbers, may be called a *Plaine*, because it bringeth forth a rightangled parallelogramme, according to his unites disposed in *length* and *breadth*, the *sides* whereof are the two multiplying numbers. As the number 20, made by the mutuall multiplication of 4 and 5 is called a *Plaine*, and the *sides* thereof are 4 and 5 as here

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Because the unites thereof disposed in *length* and *breadth*, as the *sides* do expresse, do bring forth an *inaquilater Parallelogram*, for that the numbers, or *sides* are inequall.

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\* \* \* \* \*

\* \* \* \* \*

By like reason 36 made by multiplication of 6 by 6, is called an *Equilater plain*, for the *sides* thereof 6 and 6 are equall.

Moreover one and the same plain number may have many *sides*, as the plain number 24, hath sides 4 and six : 3 and eight : 2 and 12. For it is produced from the mutuall multiplication of these numbers : whereupon for the invention of the sides, to wit, in *inaquilater Plains*, it is needfull to give one of the *sides* by which, the plain it selfe divided, the other side is made known. As the plain 48 being divided by the side 8, the *quorient* 6 is the remaining side. Notwithstanding another resolution and inquisition doth happen in the *sides* of the *Equilater plains*.

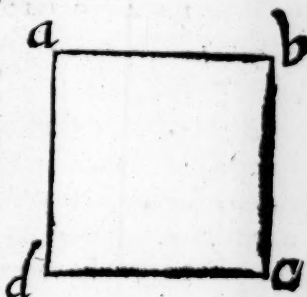
An Equi-  
later Plain  
or quadrat  
what.

An *Equilater plain* is a number made by two equall sides, or by any number multiplyed by it selfe. It is vulgarly called a square or quadrat ; by the  
Arabians

Arabians Zenfus, it is commonly expressed by this note  $z$ , by us  $q$ .

A *quadrat* or *square* in *Geometry* is called a right lined *plain figure*, made by four equall right lines, and so many right Angles, & every one of the lines is called the *side* of the *quadrat*, as this figure  $abcd$ , whose *side* is  $ab$ , or  $bc$ , as also  $cd$ , and  $ad$ .

To the similitude hereof, that number is called a *Quadrat*, which is made by the multiplication of two equall numbers, or of one in it self, of which manner 36 is made, by 6 multiplyed in it selfe, or by the mutuall multiplication



of 6 and 6. For if 36 unities be placed in plain forme, it bringeth forth a perfect *Geometricall Quadrat*, having in every side fixe unities as here.



The number whereof the *Quadrat* is produced by multiplication in it selfe, is called the *side* or *root* of the *Quadrat*.

The side  
or root of  
a number  
what.

Concerning the extraction of the *Quadrat* or *square Root*.

Therefore to find the *Quadrat Root*, or the *side* of any *Quadrat number*, is to search a number, which brought or multiplyed in it selfe, maketh the number propounded : concerning the finding whereof, as it is requisite that the *sides* (being lesser then 10) of

the *squares* under an hundred should be gathered by the Table of Multiplication: so the *sides* of the *greater squares* are to be sought out by *Art.* First, the *squares* whose *sides* are simple numbers, are here set down as you see.

The roots  
The  
squares.

|   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  |
| 1 | 4 | 9 | 16 | 25 | 36 | 49 | 64 | 81 |

*The knowledge of a square is by finding out his side expressed by a whole number.*

Although the finding out of the *side* of a *square* be applied to each number given, as to a *square*, yet *square numbers* only have a *side* to be expressed by a certain number of unites, or by rationall numbers, the other are to be expressed but onely in power. The *sides* are commonly called *Roots* by a *Metaphorical phrase*.

*The Root or side of a square is to be found by the Theorem following.*

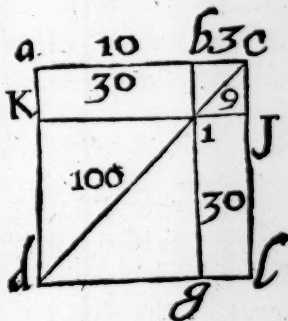
If the odde degrees of a *square number* being marked from the right toward the left hand with points, you subduct from the number given, the particular *square* of the last *period*, setting the *side* thereof alone by it selfe.

Then going on, if you divide the remainder (if there be any) with the figure going before it, by the double of the *side* set alone by it selfe.

And multiply the *quotient*, found out (being placed by the *side*, which was first set alone by it selfe, and also before the doubled number on the right hand) by both the numbers (namely by the double number, & the Figure set by it selfe) being counted as one *divisor*, subducting the products from the given number

ber, and then renew this last work of division so many times as there are pricks remaining, the side of the square shall be found out.

This artificiall device is taken out of the 4<sup>th</sup> Pro. 21. of Euclide. Where by demonstration it is proved, that if a right line be cut into two segments, howsoever the square of the whole line is equall to the squares of the segments, and the two right-angled figures made of the segments as in the figure annexed, the two Diagonals,  $k g$ , and  $b f$ , are the squares of the segments,  $a b$ , and  $b c$ . Also the complements  $b k$ , and  $f g$ , are the right-angled figures made by multiplying the line  $a b$ , by  $b c$ .



To extract the square root

The selfe same parts are to be found in any square number. As for example, let the number be 169, whose side is 13. This side being divided into two pieces, 10 and 3, multiplying each pieces, by it selfe once, namely, 10 by 10, and 3 by 3: then multiply one by another, as 10 by 3, and 3 by 10, so shall you have 4 plain numbers, whereof 2 are square, as here you see.

The first example.

Therefore as the square 169 is made by 10 3  
adding together of these 4 plain numbers, 10 3  
so by subducting them severally it is resolved. 100

First therefore I mark each odde place 30  
with points, because the particular squares 30  
are to be found in the odde places. Then 9  
for so much as the unity standing under 169  
the first point next the left hand, and representing the  
last period, is both a square and the side of a  
square;

*square*: that *figure* the before being set alone in the *quotient*, and being subducted from the unity standing over the point, there remaineth nothing.

This unity set alone by it self in the *quotient*, shall signify 10, when another *figure* is set by it, representing the side of some other particular *square*. Whereupon I say, that the greater *Diagonall*  $k g$ ; is now subducted from the whole *square*, and the side of it  $k i$ , or  $a b$ , (for they are equall one to another) and also the *side* of the *complement* is found out.

*This is the first step to this Resolution.*

Moreover, I double the *figure* found out, because being doubled, it is the side of both the *complements* taken jointly together, namely,  $k i$ , and  $g i$ . Then setting 2 the doubled number under 6, I divide 6 (which in this place is as much as 60, and representeth both the *complements*) by 2, the *quotient* is 3, representing the other *side* remaining of the *complement*; namely,  $i f$  for  $b c$ , which number I set in the *quotient*, & count it for the *segment* remaining of the right line given. Wherefore because this number 3 is the side of the remaining *Diagonall*, that is to say, of the lesser *square*  $b f$ , therefore being set by the *divisor* on the right hand, and multiplied by it selfe, and also by the *divisor*, it bringeth forth three *plain numbers*, namely the *square*  $b f$ , and the two *complements*  $a i$ , and  $i l$ , which being subducted from the numbers standing over them, there remaineth nothing.



The example is thus.

|     |                       |     |                 |
|-----|-----------------------|-----|-----------------|
| 169 | (12 Which is all one, | 169 |                 |
| 123 | as if you had put     | 100 | The greater Di- |
| 3   | downe the num-        |     | agonall.        |
| 69  | bers found out in     | 60  | The complements |
|     | this manner.          |     | twofold.        |
|     |                       | 9   | The lessor Dia- |
|     |                       |     | gonall.         |
|     |                       | 169 |                 |

The subtilty of this invention is illustrated by many examples. The second example.

Let the square given be 1764. This number being marked with two points, telleth us, that the side thereof is to be written with two Figures.

First therefore beginning at the point on the left hand, I seek the side of the last period, namely, 17. But for so much as it is no square number, I take 4 the side of the next lesser square, which I set alone by itself in the quotient, and then multiply it by it self, the *Product* is 16, which being subducted from 17, there resteth 1. Moreover I double the side found out, the product is 8, I place this doubled number under 6, and by it divide 16 standing above it, the *quotient* is 2, which must be set by 4. This *quotient* 2, must be set before the *Divisor* 8, on the right hand under the point, and then must it be multiplyed both by it selfe, and into 8, the product is 164, which being subducted from the figures standing over them, there remaineth nothing: whereby I gather that the number given is a just square.

The

The extraction of  
The Example standeth thus.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x \\
 1764 \quad (42 \\
 \underline{1682} \\
 2 \\
 \underline{164} \\
 1764
 \end{array}$$

The Collection.

The same manner of working is to be followed in greater square numbers given, saving that the former part of the worke is to be used but once, but the later part is to be followed so many times as there are points remaining excepting the last.

The third  
example.

As in 5 47 56, I say, that the *side* of the square next unto 5 is 2 : therefore 2 being set in the *quotient*, and multiplyed by it self, makes 4, and taken from 5, the remainder is 1. Moreover I double the *quotient* the product is 4, which I set under the next *figure* toward the right hand, and thereby divide 14, the *quotient* is 3, which three being set both in the *quotient*, and also before the *Divisor* toward the right hand, I multiply both the numbers by it, the *product* is 129: this being subducted from 147 standing above it, the remainder is 18. But because there is yet one point remaining, with which I have not medled; I therefore again double all the whole *quotient*, for in this case I must take 23 for the *side* of one former square, and generally in great numbers, when I light upon more particular squares then two, I must esteeme them but as two, and take the *sides* which are first found out, but as the *sides* of one only square. Therefore twice 23 is 46 : by this I divide 185, the number to be set in the *quotient* is foure, which  
number

Note.

number also must be set before the *Divisor* on the right hand : then must 464 be multiplied by 4 : the *product* is 1856, this *product* being subtracted from the numbers standing over it, there remaineth nothing. The example standeth thus.

128

54756 (234.

44364

129

4  
1856

54756

*The Collection.*

*See also the Example following.*

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Therefore out of this invention is this *consequence*.

The number whose side cannot be expressed by whole numbers, is not a square number. 4 Example of a surd number.

Such are all *prime numbers*, and (the *squares* themselves excepted) all other *compound numbers*. For if in them you desire to find out the *square side*, you shall labour in vain, because they are not *squares*, for to the whole numbers arising in the *quotient*, there will be some *fraction* adjoyned, whereby it cometh to passe, that the number of the *side* is not to be expressed by a true number, and it is commonly called a *surd number*.

Notwithstanding, if you adjoyne to the *side* found out, the number remaining, taking his *denomination* from the double of the *side augmented* by an unity, you

you shall finde the next side that may be like to the side of a square.

As if from 40 you take the neereft square, to wit, 36, the remainder is 4. Here therefore the side sought for of the square exceedeth not the side found out by an unity, but either by one, or more parts of some whole number: wherefore I double 6, the side found out, and adde an unity to it being doubled, the totall is 13, this number I set under 4 the remainder, and say that the side of 40 demanded as neere as may be is  $6\frac{4}{13}$ : the Denominator of the Fraction being added to the greatest square in the number given, namely unto 36, maketh the next geateft square above it, namely 49, whose side is 7. But this surd side, to wit,  $6\frac{4}{13}$ , multiplied by it selfe, maketh  $39\frac{11}{169}$ , which are not just equall to 40, the given number.

Judge the like concerning the rest which are not squares.

Thus much concerning plain figurate numbers, but especially such as are square numbers.

### Concerning solid figurate Numbers.

**A** Solid figurate Number is made of two multiplications by three numbers, or sides, multiplied together, admitting length, breadth, and thicknesse.

A solid figurate number.

Therefore every number made by the mutuall multiplication of three numbers, may be called a solid, because it bringeth forth a right angled Parallelepipedon, disposed according to his unities in length, breadth, and thicknesse, the sides whereof are the three multiplying numbers. As the number 30 made by the mutuall

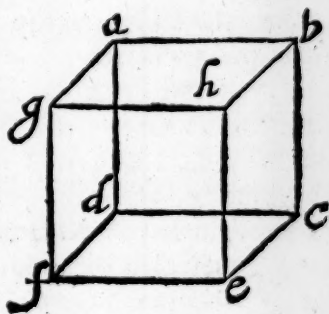
tuall multiplication of 2, 3, and 5, is called an *Inequilater solid number*, and the sides thereof are 2, 3, and 5; because the unities thereof disposed by a certain distance one from another, in *length, breadth, and depth*, as the sides doe expresse, do bring forth in resemblance an *Inequilater Parallelepipedon*, for that the *numbers* or sides are inequall.

By like reason 2 16 made by multiplication of 6 by 6, and the product thereof by 6, is called an *Equaliter solid*, for the sides thereof 6, 6, and 6 are equall.

An *Equilater*, is a number made by three equall sides, or by any number multiplyed by it selfe, and that product againe by the foresaid number. And it is called an *Equilater* and *Equiangled Parallelepipedon* or *Cube*, and is commonly represented by us thus C.

A *Cube* in Geometry is a right-angled Parallelepipedon, having six equall surfaces: and 8 soild angles,

and 12 sides, as this figure *a. b. c. d. e. f. g. h.* whose side is *a b*, or *a d*, also *b c*, or *c d*, either *c e*, or *e f*, likewise *e h*, or *b g*, also *g f*, or *d f*, or *d a*, and *g a*.



The number whereof the Cube is produced by Multiplication in it selfe twice, is called the side or root of the Cube, which being found out in whole numbers, the Cube is known.

The side  
or root of  
the Cube.

Concerning the extraction of the  
Cubick Root.

Therefore every *Cube* in numbers hath such a side as may be expressed in whole numbers, but in magnitudes it is not alwayes so, as indeed in magnitudes there are many things not to be expressed in whole number. Now for as much as the side of any *Cube* under 1000, is a simple figure, it is necessary, before we undertake to finde out the side of any great number, to know what *Cube* is made of each simple figure, and what is the side of any *Cube* lesser then 1000, as I have here set them down.

|                 |   |   |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----------------|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <i>Roots.</i>   | 1 | 2 | 3  | 4  | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   |
| <i>Squares.</i> | 1 | 4 | 9  | 16 | 25  | 36  | 49  | 64  | 81  |
| <i>Cubes.</i>   | 1 | 8 | 27 | 64 | 125 | 216 | 343 | 512 | 729 |

But in searching out the *sides* of greater *Cubes* we are to proceed as the *Theorem* following teacheth us.

If you distinguish with *points* as it were in o periods, the given *Cube*, beginning at the first figure on the right hand, and omitting each two figures continually, and first of all subduct the particular *Cube* of the last period from the given number, setting the side thereof in the *quotient* : and then set triple of the *quotient* under the *figure* next following the former point, on the right hand, and the *square* of the *quotient* being tripled beneath it one degree more toward the left hand : and afterward divide the number above written by the triple of the *square*, setting the *quotient* by itself, and then multiply the *divisor* by the *quotient* found out, and the triple *square* by the *square*



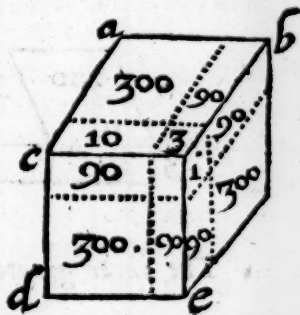
*square of the quotient, and the quotient cubically, subduſting the products (ſo orderly added together, that each figure may answer the numbers whereof it was multiplied) from the number given, and renew this laſt manner of diſiſion ſo many times as there are points remainyng, the ſide of the Cube ſhal be found out.*

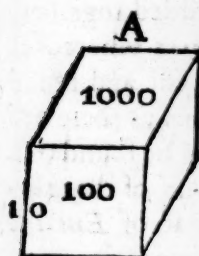
This artificiall device is drawne out of that *theorem*, which *Ramus* made, imitating that of *Euclid* concerning *ſquare numbers* in this manner.

*If a right line be cut into two ſegments, the Cube of the whole line ſhall be equall to the Cubes of the ſegments, and the two ſolid figures comprehended three times under the ſquare of his ſegment, and the ſegment remainyng.*

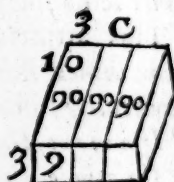
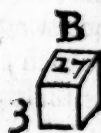
The extraction of the Cubick ſide or root.

As the line *cd*, which is 13, is cut into two ſegments, 10 and 3, therefore the Cube of the whole line, namely 2197, is equall unto the Cubes of the Segments, namely unto 1000, and 27 alſo to the two-fold Solids or Parallelepipedons thrice taken whereof three have like ſoliditie, the ſoliditie of each of the three leſſer is 90, being made of the Square of the Segment 3, that is to ſay of 9. multiplied by the other Segment 10. Theſe three Parallelepipedons joyntly taken together, make 270. But of the three greater Parallelepipedons each containing 300, being made of 100, the Square of the greater Segment 10, multiplied by the leſſer Segment 3, and they being taken joyntly together, make 900.



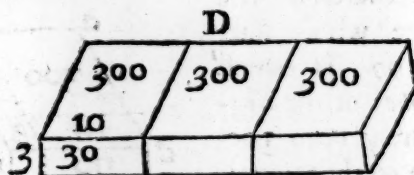


*The Cube of  
the lesser seg-  
ment 3.*



*The Cube of the  
greater segment 10.*

*The 3 lesser Paral-  
lelepipeds.*



*The three greater Parallelepipeds.*

The Cube therefore hath eight particular solids in number, which are made of the parts of the number given, namely of 10 and 3 in this manner. First, let there be foure plain numbers made, each part being multiplied by it self, and one by another.

|       |     |
|-------|-----|
| 10    | 3   |
| 10    | 3   |
| <hr/> |     |
|       | 9   |
|       | 30  |
|       | 30  |
|       | 100 |

If

If againe I multiply the *Plaines* by the same parts,  
there will arise 8 *solids*, as you see here,

|       |       |
|-------|-------|
| 9     | 9     |
| 30    | 30    |
| 30    | 30    |
| 100   | 100   |
| <hr/> | <hr/> |
| 3     | 10    |

27 90 All these being added  
90 300 together, are equall to  
90 300 the Cube of the whole, to  
300 1000 wit, 2197.

Therefore the same way that is kept in making the  
Cube, is also to be followed in resolving the Cube.

As for example, I marke the *Cube* given with points  
in this manner, 2197.

Then I subduct the particular *Cube* of the number  
set under the last point: but for so much as that num-  
ber is no *Cube*, I take the neereſt to it, namely, an  
unity, which also I ſet in the *quotient*. This unity in  
the number given, is 100, but in the *quotient* it is but  
10, the unity ſubducted from 2, the remainder is 1,  
which muſt be written over the number given. So  
that the greater *Cube A*, is to be ſuppoſed to be ſub-  
ducted from the number given.

The first  
example  
to extract  
the Cu-  
bick root.

This is the first step of this work,

After I triple the *quotient* found out 2197 (1  
(that is to ſay, I multiply it by 3) this

triple representeth the three *sides* (joyntly taken toge-  
ther) of the three leſſer *solids* marked with C, I place  
the tripled number under 9. Again, I multiply the  
*quotient* ſquare wiſe, and triple the *product*, which

K k 2

maketh

maketh likewise 3. This *product* resembleth the three *square sides* (taken joyntly together) of the three *greater solids*, marked with *D*, I place the *product* on a degree lower toward the left hand underneath 1. With it I divide 11, which written above it, the quotient is 3. This *segment* or *quotient* 3, being multiplied by 3, the *Divisor* maketh 9, which in respect of the place wherein it standeth, is 900, and representeth the three *greater solids* marked with *D*, taken joyntly together. Furthermore, the same *quotient* being multiplied square wise, maketh 9, and multiplied afterward by the *triple number* standing under 9, it maketh 27, which in respect of the place wherein it standeth, is 270, and representeth the 3 *lesser solids* marked with *C*. Last of all, the same *quotient* multiplied *cubically*, breedeth the lesser *Cube B*. These 3 *products* therefore being added together, and the totall subtracted from the *numbers* standing over it, there remaineth nothing, which importeth the given number is a *Cube*.

*The example is as you see.*

|      |           |          |                                 |
|------|-----------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 1    | 2197 (13  | 2197 (13 | 1000 The greater Cube.          |
| 2197 | (13       | 1000     |                                 |
| 13   | 3         | 3        |                                 |
| 3    | 3         | 3        |                                 |
| 9    | Or thus : | 9        | 0 The 3 greater Parallelepiped. |
| 27   |           | 270      | The lesser Parallelepipedons,   |
| 27   |           | 27       | The lesser Cube.                |
| 2197 |           | 2197     |                                 |

*The matter may be explained by many examples.*

Let the side of the given *Cube* 16387064, be sought out, contrive it therefore (as it were) into certain periods

The second example of the Cubick.

periods with points. Then first of all, search out the *side* of the *Cube* next to the left hand : But for as much as 16 is no *Cube*, take 2 the *side* of the next *Cube* under it, that is to say, of 8, and set in the *quotient*, and subduct 8 the *Cube* thereof from 16, there remaineth 8. The first work is not to be renewed throughout the whole *number*, but the *rules* following must be repeated as often as there are *points* remaining.

The first step to finde out the roor, 8  
is in this manner,

16387064 (2  
8

Moreover, triple the *quotient* now found out and the *product* is 6, which is to be placed under 8, namely, under the figure following the next prick toward the right hand. Then multiply the *quotient* by this tripled *number* (or which is all to one purpose, square the *quotient* and then triple the *product*) it maketh 12, set that number in a lower place one degree neerer the left hand, & make it the *divisor*: divide 83 by 12, observing this rule in choosing your *quotient*, that it be no greater, then that the numbers afterward produced by multiplication may not exceed the numbers standing over it. So that here you shall take 1 in 8, but 5 times. Afterward by this number 5, multiply the *divisor* 12, & by the square of 5, multiply the tripled number 6, & last of all multiply 5 cubically : so shall you produce three numbers, namely, 60, 150, 125, to be described in such sort as you see. These numbers added together, and subducted from 8387, the remainder is 762.

*The second step to find out the root, in this manner,*

$$\begin{array}{r}
 8762 \\
 16387064 \quad (25 \\
 \hline
 6 \\
 12 \\
 \hline
 60 \\
 150 \\
 125 \\
 \hline
 7625
 \end{array}$$

*And because there is yet one point remayning, this last manner of Division must be wrought again.*

First, therefore I triple the quotient, the product is 75. which must be so placed, that the first figure thereof, namely 5, may stand under 6, the second under the 0. Again, multiply the quotient by this tripled number (or which is all one, square the quotient, and triple the product) it maketh 1875. which must be the *Divisor*, whose first figure namely 5, must be placed under 7, the last figure of the tripled number. Then see that 1 may be contained in 7, many times, but I can take it but 4 times, I set 4 in the quotient and multiply the *Divisor* by 4, the product is 7500, afterward I square 4, it maketh 16, which I multiply by the tripled number 75, the product is 1200. Last of all I multiply 4 cubically, it maketh 64, these products added all together, make 762064, which number being subducted from the *Cube* given, there remayneth nothing, whereby I gather that the number given is exactly cubicall.



*The third step to finde out the side is in this manner*

$$\begin{array}{r}
 762 \\
 16887064 \quad (254 \\
 \underline{75} \\
 1875 \\
 \underline{7500} \\
 1200 \\
 \underline{64} \\
 762064
 \end{array}$$

*Behold also the example following.*

$$614125000 \quad (850$$

*Another manner of working.*

The third  
example  
of the Cu-  
bick root

**H**itherto the Princely high-way to find out the side of the Cube hath been declared.

But there are moreover certain other wayes also bending thereto, and leaning to the same principles, whereof this is one.

Having found out in the Table of simple Cubes, the first figure representing the side of the cube contained in the number standing under the first point on the left hand, set it in the *quotient*, and subduēt the particular Cube of that figure as you did before: then square that figure, and triple that square, the *product* shall be the *Divisor*, the first figure whereof shall be set under that figure which is on the right hand next of all to the point (now examined) before going.

See how many times the *Divisor* is contained in the number written over it, and multiply the *Divisor* in the *quotient*, and subduēt the *product* from the *dividend*: yet here you must take heed, that you take not a greater *quotient* then that the *products* made

afterward thereby may be subducted from the *number* given.

The subduction being done, triple the first *figure* which was set in the *quotient*, and adde to the triple the last *number* which was set in the *quotient* on the right hand of the *product*.

This totall multiplied by the square of the *figure* last found out, and set down the *product* so, that the first *figure* thereof toward the right hand may stand under the *point* next before going on the same hand, and finally, subduct the same from the *number* given.

The fourth  
example of  
the Cubic  
root.

As in 804357. The particular *Cube*, namely, 729 being taken from the number standing under the last *period* upon the left hand, there remaineth 75357, the side of that particular *Cube* being 9, I set in the *quotient*. Then I *square* that *side*, it maketh 81, and triple the *square*, the *product* 243 is my *Divisor*, which I set under the given number, so that 3 may stand under 3 with this *Divisor*, divide the number standing over it, you shall find 2 to be contained in 7 three times. Therefore I set 3 in the *quotient*, and multiply the *Divisor* by it, the *product* is 729, which being subducted from 753, the remainder is 24.

The Induction is thus:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2 \\
 754. \\
 104357 \text{ (93} \\
 243 \\
 729
 \end{array}$$

Moreover I triple 9, the *product* is 27, by which on the right hand I set 3 the *quotient* last found out, the totall is 273.

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# The Cubick Root.

499

This *Number* I multiply by 9 the square of the quotient last found out, the product shall be 2457, which being subducted from the superiour number, there remaineth nothing.

*The Induction is thus.*

$$\begin{array}{r} 24 \\ 80 \overline{) 4357} (93 \\ \underline{732} \\ 2457 \end{array}$$

*Another manner.*

*THE selfe-same work may be dispatched another way, a little differing from the former in this manner.*

The figure in the *quotient*, being found out by The third subducting the particular *Cube*, and also the second forme. figure in the quotient being found by division, let the totall quotient be tripled, and let the tripled number be multiplyed by the former figure in the quotient. Then let the product be multiplyed againe, by the latter figure found out, and let a *cipher* be set on the right hand of that *product*. Last of all let the *Cube* of the latter figure found out, be added to this *product*, and let the totall summe be subducted from the number given. As in 373248.

*The*

*The first induction is in this manner.*

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ 373 \cdot 248 \end{array} (7$$


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343

The fifth  
example

Moreover I *square* the side found out, it maketh 49, and triple the square, the *product* is 147, which shall be the *divisor*, by this I divide 302, the number written over it, the *quotient* is 2. Now I triple the *total quotient* 72, it maketh 216, and multiply this triple by 7, the former *figure* in the *quotient*, the *product* is 1512. I multiply this *product* also by 2, the latter *figure* of the *quotient*, and set a *cipher* on the right hand of it, so as it maketh 30240, unto this number last of all I adde 8, the *Cube* of the latter *figure* found out, the total is 30248, which being subducted from this *figure* above it, there remaineth nothing.

*The second Induction is thus.*

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ 373 \cdot 248 \end{array} (72$$


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$$\begin{array}{r} 147 \end{array}$$


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30248

All the *points* of the *number* given being examined, if any thing remaine, it signifieth the *number* given is no *Cube*: wherefore the true *side* of it cannot be exactly given in *numbers*. Yet if it please you to sift out the neereft *side* that may be, by the first kinde of reduction of *mixt numbers*, you shall reduce the *number*

ber given unto a *cubicall* fraction of a greater *denomination*, and afterward seeke out the *cubicall side* of that *fraction*.

For example sake, because 120 is no *Cube*, therefore let it be reduced into sixty *cubicall* parts, after this manner. Multiply 60 *cubically* in it self, it maketh 216000, by this being taken for the *denominator* of the *fraction*, multiply 120 the *number* given, the *product* is 25920000 whose *cubicall side* is  $22\frac{2}{3}$  that is  $4\frac{11}{12}$  the nearest to the true *side* that can be.

To finde the nearest Cubick root in a surd number

For the extraction of all sorts of roots, the tables of *Logarithmes* set forth by Mr. Briggs are most excellent, and ready.

FINIS.

*A Table of Board and Timber measure more perfect then ever hath been made; shewing also the Squares between 4 and 37 from quarter to quarter, calculated by Robert Hartwell.*

| Board<br>measure. | Inches &<br>quarters. | Squares. | Timber<br>measure. | Board<br>measure. | Inches &<br>quarters. | Squares. | Timber<br>measure. |
|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 36. 0 0           | 4                     | 16       | 108. 0. 0          | 16. 0. 0          | 9                     | 8 1      | 21. 3. 3           |
| 33. 8. 8          | 1                     | 18       | 96. 0. 0           | 15. 5. 7          | 1                     | 85       | 20. 3. 3           |
| 32. 0. 0          | 2                     | 20       | 86. 4. 0           | 15. 1. 6          | 2                     | 90       | 19. 2. 0           |
| 30. 3. 1          | 3                     | 22       | 78. 5. 4           | 14. 7. 7          | 3                     | 95       | 18. 1. 2           |
| 28. 8. 0          | 5                     | 25       | 69. 1. 2           | 14. 4. 0          | 10                    | 100      | 17. 2. 8           |
| 27. 4. 3          | 1                     | 27       | 64. 0. 0           | 14. 0. 2          | 1                     | 103      | 16. 4. 6           |
| 26. 1. 8          | 2                     | 30       | 57. 6. 0           | 13. 7. 1          | 2                     | 110      | 15. 7. 1           |
| 25. 0. 4          | 3                     | 33       | 52. 3. 6           | 13. 3. 9          | 3                     | 115      | 15. 0. 3           |
| 24. 0. 0          | 6                     | 36       | 48. 0. 0           | 13. 0. 9          | 11                    | 121      | 14. 2. 8           |
| 23. 0. 4          | 1                     | 39       | 44. 3. 0           | 12. 8. 0          | 1                     | 126      | 13. 7. 1           |
| 22. 1. 5          | 2                     | 42       | 41. 1. 4           | 12. 5. 2          | 2                     | 132      | 13. 0. 9           |
| 21. 3. 3          | 3                     | 45       | 38. 4. 0           | 12. 2. 5          | 3                     | 138      | 12. 5. 2           |
| 20. 5. 7          | 7                     | 49       | 35. 2. 6           | 12. 0. 0          | 12                    | 144      | 12. 0. 0           |
| 19. 8. 6          | 1                     | 52       | 33. 2. 3           | 11. 7. 5          | 1                     | 150      | 11. 5. 2           |
| 19. 2. 0          | 2                     | 56       | 30. 8. 6           | 11. 5. 2          | 2                     | 156      | 11. 0. 8           |
| 18. 5. 8          | 3                     | 60       | 28. 8. 0           | 11. 2. 9          | 3                     | 162      | 10. 6. 7           |
| 18. 0. 0          | 8                     | 64       | 27. 0. 0           | 11. 0. 7          | 13                    | 169      | 10. 2. 2           |
| 17. 4. 5          | 1                     | 68       | 25. 4. 1           | 10. 8. 7          | 1                     | 175      | 9. 8. 7            |
| 16. 9. 4          | 2                     | 72       | 24. 0. 0           | 10. 6. 7          | 2                     | 182      | 9. 4. 9            |
| 16. 4. 6          | 3                     | 76       | 22. 7. 4           | 10. 4. 7          | 3                     | 189      | 9. 1. 4            |



| Board<br>measure | Inches &<br>quarters. | Squares. | Timber<br>measure. | Board<br>measure | Inches &<br>quarters. | Squares. | Timber<br>measure. |
|------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 10.2.8           | 14                    | 169      | 8.8.1              | 6.8.6            | 21                    | 441      | 3.9.2              |
| 10.1.0           | 1                     | 203      | 8.5.1              | 6.7.7            | 1                     | 451      | 3.8.3              |
| 9.9.3            | 2                     | 210      | 8.2.3              | 6.6.9            | 2                     | 462      | 3.7.4              |
| 9.7.6            | 3                     | 217      | 7.9.6              | 6.6.2            | 3                     | 473      | 3.6.5              |
| 9.6.0            | 15                    | 225      | 7.6.8              | 6.5.4            | 22                    | 484      | 3.5.7              |
| 9.4.4            | 1                     | 232      | 7.4.4              | 6.4.7            | 1                     | 495      | 3.4.9              |
| 9.2.9            | 2                     | 240      | 7.2.0              | 6.4.0            | 2                     | 506      | 3.4.1              |
| 9.1.4            | 3                     | 248      | 6.9.7              | 6.3.3            | 3                     | 517      | 3.3.4              |
| 9.0.0            | 16                    | 256      | 6.7.5              | 6.2.6            | 23                    | 529      | 3.2.7              |
| 8.8.6            | 1                     | 264      | 6.5.4              | 6.1.9            | 1                     | 540      | 3.2.0              |
| 8.7.3            | 2                     | 272      | 6.3.5              | 6.1.2            | 2                     | 552      | 3.1.3              |
| 8.6.0            | 3                     | 280      | 6.1.6              | 6.0.6            | 3                     | 564      | 3.0.6              |
| 8.4.7            | 17                    | 289      | 5.9.8              | 6.0.0            | 24                    | 576      | 3.0.0              |
| 8.3.5            | 1                     | 297      | 5.8.1              | 5.9.4            | 1                     | 588      | 2.9.4              |
| 8.2.3            | 2                     | 306      | 5.6.4              | 5.8.8            | 2                     | 600      | 3.8.8              |
| 8.1.1            | 3                     | 315      | 5.4.8              | 5.8.2            | 3                     | 612      | 2.8.2              |
| 8.0.0            | 18                    | 324      | 5.3.3              | 5.7.6            | 25                    | 625      | 2.7.6              |
| 7.8.9            | 1                     | 333      | 5.1.9              | 5.7.0            | 1                     | 637      | 2.7.1              |
| 7.7.8            | 2                     | 342      | 5.0.5              | 5.6.5            | 2                     | 650      | 2.6.5              |
| 7.6.8            | 3                     | 351      | 4.9.2              | 5.5.9            | 3                     | 662      | 2.6.1              |
| 7.5.8            | 19                    | 361      | 4.7.9              | 5.5.4            | 26                    | 676      | 2.5.5              |
| 7.4.8            | 1                     | 270      | 4.6.7              | 5.4.8            | 1                     | 689      | 2.5.1              |
| 7.3.9            | 2                     | 380      | 4.5.5              | 5.4.3            | 2                     | 702      | 2.4.6              |
| 7.2.9            | 3                     | 390      | 4.4.3              | 5.3.8            | 3                     | 715      | 2.4.2              |
| 7.2.0            | 20                    | 400      | 4.3.2              | 5.3.3            | 27                    | 729      | 2.3.7              |
| 7.1.1            | 1                     | 410      | 4.2.1              | 5.2.8            | 1                     | 749      | 2.3.2              |
| 7.0.2            | 2                     | 420      | 4.1.1              | 5.2.3            | 2                     | 756      | 2.2.8              |
| 6.9.4            | 3                     | 431      | 4.0.1              | 5.1.9            | 3                     | 767      | 2.2.5              |

Board

| Board<br>measure | Inches &<br>quarters | Squares | Timber<br>measure | Board<br>measure | Inches &<br>quarters | Squares | Timber<br>measure |
|------------------|----------------------|---------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------|-------------------|
| 5.1.4            | 28                   | 784     | 2.2.0             | 4.3.6            | 33                   | 1089    | 1.5.9             |
| 5.0.9            | 1                    | 798     | 2.1.6             | 4.3.3            | 1                    | 1104    | 1.5.6             |
| 5.0.5            | 2                    | 812     | 2.1.2             | 4.3.0            | 2                    | 1122    | 1.5.4             |
| 5.0.0            | 3                    | 826     | 2.0.9             | 4.2.7            | 3                    | 1139    | 1.5.2             |
| 4.9.6            | 29                   | 841     | 2.0.5             | 4.2.3            | 34                   | 1156    | 1.4.9             |
| 4.9.2            | 1                    | 855     | 2.0.2             | 4.2.0            | 1                    | 1173    | 1.4.7             |
| 4.8.8            | 2                    | 870     | 1.9.8             | 4.1.8            | 2                    | 1190    | 1.4.5             |
| 4.8.4            | 3                    | 885     | 1.9.5             | 4.1.4            | 3                    | 1208    | 1.4.3             |
| 4.8.0            | 30                   | 900     | 1.9.2             | 4.1.1            | 35                   | 1225    | 1.4.1             |
| 4.7.6            | 1                    | 915     | 1.8.9             | 4.0.8            | 1                    | 1242    | 1.3.9             |
| 4.7.2            | 2                    | 930     | 1.8.6             | 4.0.5            | 2                    | 1260    | 1.3.7             |
| 4.6.8            | 3                    | 945     | 1.8.3             | 4.0.3            | 3                    | 1278    | 1.3.5             |
| 4.6.4            | 31                   | 961     | 1.7.9             | 4.0.0            | 36                   | 1296    | 1.3.3             |
| 4.6.1            | 1                    | 976     | 1.7.7             | 3.9.8            | 1                    | 1313    | 1.3.1             |
| 4.5.7            | 2                    | 992     | 1.7.4             | 3.9.4            | 2                    | 1331    | 1.2.9             |
| 4.5.3            | 3                    | 1008    | 1.7.1             | 3.9.1            | 3                    | 1350    | 1.2.8             |
| 4.5.0            | 32                   | 1024    | 1.6.9             | 3.8.9            | 37                   | 1369    | 1.2.6             |
| 4.4.6            | 1                    | 1040    | 1.6.6             | 3.8.7            | 1                    | 1388    | 1.2.4             |
| 4.4.3            | 2                    | 1056    | 1.6.4             | 3.8.4            | 2                    | 1406    | 1.2.2             |
| 4.4.0            | 3                    | 1072    | 1.6.1             | 3.8.1            | 3                    | 1425    | 1.2.1             |

*The use of this former Table.*

**I**F upon a *Scale or Ruler* you divide one *inch* into ten *equall parts or primes*, and againe by *diagonals*, and *parallell-lines*, you subdivide each of them into ten *equall parts or seconds*, with your *compasses*, you may take a more exact running measure for *board and timber*, then by any other meanes whatsoever, and  
so

so place the same, or this *Table* if you will, upon any *Ruler*.

Also by meanes of the *columnes of squares*, you may readily finde a *square* equall to any *Parallelepipedon*, or piece of *timber*, which is thicker then it is broad. As for example, suppose a piece of *timber* to be ten *inches* thicke, and 9 *inches* broad: if I multiply those *sides* one by another, they will produce 290, then seeking the *columnne of squares* for 290, which I finde not, but I finde 289 the neereft number to 290, to stand against 17: thererore I say 17 *inches* ferè, will make a *square* equall to such an unlike *squared* piece, then looking in the *columnne of timber measure* against 17, you shall finde that 5 *inches*, 9 *primes*, or  $\frac{9}{10}$  and 8 *seconds*, or  $\frac{8}{100}$  of an *inch* in length, of that piece will make a *foot* of *timber*.

Likewise for *board measure*, you may finde how much in *length* or *breadth* of *board* must be in one *foot*.

By the like meanes, suppose for example that a *board*, appointed to be measured, is 15 *inches*  $\frac{1}{4}$  broad, if I desire to know how much in *length* thereof will make a *foot*; I seeke in the *columns* that stand under *unites* and *quarters*, for 15  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and also against the same in the *columnne* under the title of *board measure*, where I finde 9 *inches*, 1 *prime*, or tenth of an *inch*, and 4 *seconds*, or *hundreds* of an *inch* will make a *foot* at that *breadth*: The like may be practised for any other *breadth* of *board* whatsoever,

Certain Tables shewing the Interest of any *summe* of money whatsoever unto 40 years; how much *Annuities* respited or forborn commeth unto. And for *buying* or *selling* of *Annuities* for the said time; and also the same in *reversion* after any *number* of *years* unto 30. What they may be worth in present ready money, by R. C. and now diligently corrected and amended by Robert Hartwell.

### Definition of Interest.

**P**Principall, is the *summe* from which the Interest is reckoned.

2 Interest is the *summe* reckoned for the lending or forbearance of the Principall for any termes or time.

3 Interest simple is that which is counted from the Principall onely.

4 Interest compound is that which is counted for the Principall, together with the Arrerage.

5 Interest profitable is that which is added to the Principall.

6 Interest Damageable is that which is to be subtracted from the Principall.

|           |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The use   | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ li.} \\ 10 \text{ s.} \\ 5 \text{ s.} \\ 2 \text{ s. } 6 \text{ d.} \\ 1 \text{ s.} \end{array} \right.$ | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ s.} \\ 12 \text{ d.} \\ 6 \text{ d.} \\ 3 \text{ d.} \\ 1, \frac{1}{2} \text{ of a peny.} \end{array} \right.$ | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ s.} \\ 12 \text{ d.} \\ 6 \text{ d.} \\ 3 \text{ d.} \\ 1, \frac{1}{2} \text{ of a peny.} \end{array} \right.$ |
| per annum |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |
| of        |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |
|           |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |
|           |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |

*A Table shewing what 1 li. with interest, and interest upon interest after 10 in the 100 comes to every year under 41 years. As followeth.*

| yeers | l. | s. | d. | li. | s. | d. | yeers. |
|-------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1     | 1  | 2  | 0  | 7   | 8  | 0  | 21     |
| 2     | 1  | 4  | 2  | 8   | —  | 9  | 22     |
| 3     | 1  | 6  | 7  | 8   | 19 | 1  | 23     |
| 4     | 1  | 9  | 3  | 9   | 16 | 11 | 24     |
| 5     | 1  | 12 | 2  | 10  | 16 | 8  | 25     |
| 6     | 1  | 15 | 5  | 11  | 18 | 4  | 26     |
| 7     | 1  | 18 | 11 | 13  | 2  | 2  | 27     |
| 8     | 2  | 2  | 10 | 14  | 8  | 5  | 28     |
| 9     | 2  | 7  | 1  | 15  | 17 | 3  | 29     |
| 10    | 2  | 11 | 10 | 17  | 8  | 11 | 30     |
| 11    | 2  | 17 | 1  | 19  | 3  | 10 | 31     |
| 12    | 3  | 2  | 9  | 21  | 2  | 3  | 32     |
| 13    | 3  | 9  | 0  | 23  | 4  | 6  | 33     |
| 14    | 3  | 15 | 11 | 25  | 10 | 11 | 34     |
| 15    | 4  | 3  | 6  | 28  | 2  | 0  | 35     |
| 16    | 4  | 11 | 10 | 30  | 18 | 0  | 36     |
| 17    | 5  | 1  | 1  | 34  | 0  | 0  | 37     |
| 18    | 5  | 11 | 2  | 37  | 8  | 1  | 38     |
| 19    | 6  | 2  | 3  | 41  | 2  | 10 | 39     |
| 20    | 6  | 14 | 6  | 45  | 5  | 2  | 40     |

By the former Table, if you desire to know what 1 li. commeth to with *interest*, and *interest* upon *interest* after 10 in the 100, for any *number* of years unto 40. Look in the *row*, or *margent* (over which is written *years*) and against it on the right hand close unto it in the *row* or *margent* of *pounds*, *shillings*, and *pence* (which is titled thus, li. s. d.) you shall finde your desire.

*Example.*

*I would know what 1 li. with interest, and interest upon interest commeth to in 7 yeares ?*

I looke in the *row* of yeares for the *number* 7. And against it on the right hand I finde 1 li. 18 s. 11 d. Also what it commeth unto in 13 yeares. I seeke among the yeares for 13, and against it I finde 3 li. 9 s.

Again, for 21 yeares. I look for 21 among the yeares, and I finde 7 li. 8 s. 0 d. But if you would know for a greater summe then 1 li. Then multiply your summe by that summe of 1 li. in the Table for any of those yeares, and you shall easily finde it. As thus, I would know what 10 li. commeth to for 7 yeares with interest, &c. I see that 1 li. commeth to 1 li. 18 s. 11 d. in that time. Then say I that 10 li. must bee 10 times as much in that space, which is 19 li. 9 s. 2 d. Also of 10 li. in 13 yeares, I see that 1 li. in that time commeth unto 3 li. 9 s. Then must 10 li. be ten times as much in that space, which is 34 li. 10 s. Also what 10 li. commeth to in 21 yeares. I finde first that 1 li. in that space commeth to 7 li. 8 s. Then I say 10 must be 10 times as much, which is 74 li. Lastly, I would know what 100 li. commeth to in 7 yeares, I see it must bee 100 times as much as 1 li. commeth to in that



that space, which is 194 li. 11 s. 8. d Hereby you see the common saying is not true, that 100 li. doth double it selfe in 7 years, for it wants thereof 5 li. 8 s. 4 d. But in 8 years 100 l. commeth to 210 li. 8 s. 4 d. which you see is more then double it selfe by 10 li. 8 s. 4 d. And in this sort may any that can but cast with Counters, or indeed by memory finde the increase of any summe whatsoever for any of the number of years in the foresaid Table, after they have found what 1 li. commeth unto for that time, as before is specified.

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*A Table shewing if 1 li. annuity to endure for any number of years, under 41, be all respited or forborne; untill the last payment grow due, and then all be received together; with interest, and interest upon interest after 10 in the 100 per annum, what they will amount unto by any of the said number of years. As followeth.*

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years

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | li. | s. | d. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 1   | 0  | 0  | 64  | 0  | 0  | 21     |
| 2      | 2   | 2  | 0  | 71  | 8  | 0  | 22     |
| 3      | 3   | 6  | 2  | 79  | 10 | 10 | 23     |
| 4      | 4   | 10 | 10 | 88  | 9  | 11 | 24     |
| 5      | 6   | 2  | 1  | 98  | 6  | 11 | 25     |
| 6      | 7   | 14 | 3  | 109 | 3  | 7  | 26     |
| 7      | 9   | 9  | 8  | 121 | 1  | 11 | 27     |
| 8      | 11  | 8  | 8  | 134 | 4  | 2  | 28     |
| 9      | 13  | 11 | 7  | 148 | 12 | 7  | 29     |
| 10     | 15  | 18 | 8  | 164 | 9  | 10 | 30     |
| 11     | 18  | 10 | 7  | 181 | 18 | 10 | 31     |
| 12     | 21  | 7  | 8  | 201 | 2  | 9  | 32     |
| 13     | 24  | 10 | 5  | 221 | 5  | 0  | 33     |
| 14     | 27  | 19 | 5  | 245 | 9  | 6  | 34     |
| 15     | 31  | 5  | 6  | 271 | 0  | 3  | 35     |
| 16     | 35  | 18 | 11 | 299 | 2  | 6  | 36     |
| 17     | 40  | 10 | 10 | 330 | 0  | 9  | 37     |
| 18     | 45  | 11 | 11 | 364 | 0  | 10 | 38     |
| 19     | 51  | 3  | 2  | 401 | 8  | 11 | 39     |
| 20     | 57  | 0  | 6  | 442 | 11 | 10 | 40     |

By this Table you may know what any Annuity being respited or forborn for any number of yeers unto 41. with interest upon interest, after 10 in the 100 will come unto: first seeking in the *Table*, what 1 li. will come unto, in that time, and that being found to multiply it by the summe you desire to know.

Example.

## Example.

*First, I would know what 1 li. Annuity being forborn or respited for 14 yeeres commeth unto.*

I look in this last Table (which is for the purpose) and I finde 27 li. 19 s. 5 d.

Again, what 1 li. *Annuity* respited for 21 yeeres commeth to, I looke in the said Table for 21 yeeres, and I find 64 li. Also the like for 1 li. for 30 yeeres respited. I look, and find it to be 164 li. 9 s. 10 d. as by the said Table may appeare. Now for greater *Annuities*, as 30 li. *per annum*, respited or forborn, what it amounteth to in 16 yeeres. I seek first for 1 li. in this last Table before for 16 yeeres, and against it I find 35 li. 18 s. 11 d. Then say I, that 30 li. *per annum* being respited for that time, will come to 30 times as much, which is 1078 li. 7 s. 6 d. Also if there be an *Annuity* of 45 li. due and unpaid for 12 yeeres, I look in the said Table what 1 li. commeth to, 12 yeeres being respited, and I find it is 21 li. 7 s. 8 d. Then I conclude that 5 li. must be 45 times as much, which is 962 li. 5 s.

*Lastly, I have an Annuity of 50 li. per annum, which hath been behind for 16 yeeres, and must be answered unto me with interest, and interest upon interest, all at one payment, what shall or ought I to receive in all, at the 16 yeeres end?*

I seek what 1 li. comes unto in that time (as before taught) and I finde 35 li. 18 s. 11 d. Then must my 50 li. *per annum* forborne for that time, come to 50 times as much, which is 1797 li. 5 s. 10 d. And thus may you find any other *summe* great or small, for any *number of yeeres* contained in the aforesaid Table, without the helpe of *Arithmeticke*, if

you can but use your Counters, or by memory count well.

*A Table shewing if 1 li. Annuity (to indure for any number of years unto 41) bee to be sold for present ready money, how much ought that ready money to bee, reckoning 10 per 100 per annum abating interest, and interest upon interest. As followeth.*

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | li. | s. | d. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 0   | 18 | 2  | 8   | 12 | 11 | 21     |
| 2      | 1   | 14 | 8  | 8   | 15 | 5  | 22     |
| 3      | 2   | 9  | 8  | 8   | 17 | 7  | 23     |
| 4      | 3   | 3  | 4  | 8   | 19 | 8  | 24     |
| 5      | 3   | 15 | 9  | 9   | 1  | 6  | 25     |
| 6      | 4   | 7  | 1  | 9   | 3  | 2  | 26     |
| 7      | 4   | 18 | 4  | 9   | 4  | 8  | 27     |
| 8      | 5   | 6  | 8  | 9   | 6  | 1  | 28     |
| 9      | 5   | 15 | 2  | 9   | 7  | 4  | 29     |
| 10     | 6   | 2  | 10 | 9   | 8  | 6  | 30     |
| 11     | 6   | 9  | 9  | 9   | 9  | 7  | 31     |
| 12     | 6   | 16 | 3  | 9   | 10 | 6  | 32     |
| 13     | 7   | 2  | 0  | 9   | 11 | 4  | 33     |
| 14     | 7   | 7  | 4  | 9   | 12 | 2  | 34     |
| 15     | 7   | 12 | 1  | 9   | 12 | 10 | 35     |
| 16     | 7   | 16 | 5  | 9   | 13 | 6  | 36     |
| 17     | 8   | 0  | 5  | 9   | 14 | 1  | 37     |
| 18     | 8   | 4  | 0  | 9   | 14 | 7  | 38     |
| 19     | 8   | 7  | 3  | 9   | 15 | 1  | 39     |
| 20     | 8   | 10 | 3  | 9   | 15 | 6  | 40     |

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This Table before last specified is very necessary and commodious for all *Gentlemen* or others, that shall have cause to buy or sell *Annuities* or such like, for by this they shall know what they doe, whether they demand, or take too little or too much, after the rate of ten in the 100, by which proportion all these *Tables* are ruled.

*As for example, I am to buy an Annuity of 16 li. per annum, for 12 yeers, and am demanded for it ready money 120 li. I would know, if I give this rate, whether I give too much or too little, according to the proportion of ten in the 100 per annum, &c.*

I look in the *Table* last before what 1 li. is worth for 12 yeers, and I finde against 12 this *summe* 6 li. 16 s. 3 d. Now I say that 16 li. *Annuity* for that time, and after that proportion commeth to 16 times as much, which is 109 li. So that I see the party demanded of me 11 li. too much after the rate of ten in the 100 *per annum*, and therefore I must draw him to a lower price or leave it.

*Again, I am offered an Annuity of 20 li. per annum of 14 yeers for 130 li. I would know if I give it whether I give too much or too little, according to the proportion aforesaid.*

I seek first what 1 li. *Annuity* is worth for 14 yeers, and I find in the said last *Table* 7 li. 7 s. 4 d. Then say that the *Annuity* of 20 li. *per annum*, will come to 20 times as much, and will be worth 147 li. 6 s. 8 d. according to the proportion before mentioned: and is more then his demand by 17 li. 6 s. 8 d. So that I see if I accept of it, I shall have a good bargain. And thus may you know readily by looking in your *Table*, and finding what 1 li. is worth for

any time therein contained, how much any greater summe will come unto, if you multiply it by that summe of 1 li. as before is sufficiently shewed.

*But suppose this, I have 300 li. ready money, and would bestow the same for a valuable Annuity answerable thereunto according to the proportion aforesaid. I would know what Annuity to endure 21 yeeres this 300 li. will buy?*

I look in the former Table what 1 li. Annuity will cost for that time, and I find 8 li. 12 s. 11 d. Then I say by the *Rule of proportion*. If 8 li. 12 s. 11 d. will buy 1 li. Annuity for 21 yeeres: what Annuity shall 300 li. buy or be worth for that time? I reduce the *summes* to the least denomination (which is pence) and I find 34 li. 13 s. 11 d. And after this manner (by the help of this *rule*) may you find all other summes for any time contained in the foresaid last *Table*.



*A Table shewing what 1 li in reversion for any number of years under 31 is worth in ready money, the buyer staying untill the thing be false in hand.*

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | li. | s. | d. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 0   | 18 | 2  | 0   | 4  | 4  | 16     |
| 2      | 0   | 16 | 6  | 0   | 3  | 11 | 17     |
| 3      | 0   | 15 | 0  | 0   | 3  | 7  | 18     |
| 4      | 0   | 13 | 7  | 0   | 3  | 3  | 19     |
| 5      | 0   | 12 | 5  | 0   | 2  | 11 | 20     |
| 6      | 0   | 11 | 3  | 0   | 2  | 8  | 21     |
| 7      | 0   | 10 | 3  | 0   | 2  | 5  | 22     |
| 8      | 0   | 9  | 3  | 0   | 2  | 2  | 23     |
| 9      | 0   | 8  | 5  | 0   | 2  | 0  | 24     |
| 10     | 0   | 7  | 8  | 0   | 1  | 10 | 25     |
| 11     | 0   | 7  | 0  | 0   | 1  | 8  | 26     |
| 12     | 0   | 6  | 4  | 0   | 1  | 6  | 27     |
| 13     | 0   | 5  | 9  | 0   | 1  | 4  | 28     |
| 14     | 0   | 5  | 3  | 0   | 1  | 3  | 29     |
| 15     | 0   | 4  | 9  | 0   | 1  | 1  | 30     |

This last *Table* differeth, and is contrary to the other three before mentioned: For whereas the others increased more and more according to the *number of years* specified, this doth grow and diminish lesse and lesse, as the *number of years* increaseth. As for example.

*There*

*There is a Tenement, the fee simple whereof after 7 yeers will be worth 40 li. what am I to give for it in ready mony, now staying untill it fall in hand?*

To know this I look in this last Table for 7 years, and against it I find 10s. 3d. So that a thing that after 7 years will be worth 1 li. is worth now in ready mony but 10 s. 3 d. Then say I, that the foresaid Tenement (which after 7 years will be worth 40 li.) is now worth 40 times 10s. 3d. which is 20li. 10s.

*Again there is a Farm which after 9 yeers will be worth the Fee-simple 420 li. what is it now worth in ready mony, staying untill it fall in hand?*

I look in the said Table what 1 li. is worth in reversion after 9 years, and I find 8s. 5d. Then say I, that the Farm of 420 li. so long in Reversion, will be now worth in ready mony, 420 times as much, which is 176li. 15s.

*Lastly there is a Lordship to be sold, the Fee simple whereof after 14 yeers will be worth 7500 li. I would know what the same is now worth in ready mony for the Reversion.*

I look in this last Table for 14 yeers, and against it I find 5s. 3d. so much 1 li. is worth in reversion after 14 yeers. Then say I, that 7500 li. is worth no more in reversion for that time then 7500 times 5s. 3d. which is 1968 li. 15s. And after this manner may you finde out any other summe whatsoever. And though some men of their own experience can ayme (as they think) neer enough the mark to serve their own turns : yet I dare undertake they shall never so exactly doe it, nor justify what they doe, as if they did it by Art.

FINIS.

*New Tables of Interest at 8 per centum per annum, exactly calculated for 30 years by Robert Hartwell, with necessary questions for the use of them.*

*The first Table expressing the increase of one pound principall, put out and forborn for any number of years under 31 at 8 per centum, per annum.*

| years | li. | s. | d. | q. | li. | s. | d. | q. | years |
|-------|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|-------|
| 1     | 1   | 1  | 7  | 0  | 3   | 8  | 6  | 0  | 16    |
| 2     | 1   | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3   | 14 | 0  | 0  | 17    |
| 3     | 1   | 5  | 2  | 1  | 3   | 19 | 6  | 0  | 18    |
| 4     | 1   | 7  | 2  | 2  | 4   | 6  | 3  | 3  | 19    |
| 5     | 1   | 9  | 4  | 2  | 4   | 13 | 2  | 2  | 20    |
| 6     | 1   | 11 | 8  | 3  | 5   | 0  | 8  | 0  | 21    |
| 7     | 1   | 14 | 3  | 1  | 5   | 8  | 8  | 3  | 22    |
| 8     | 1   | 17 | 0  | 0  | 5   | 17 | 0  | 0  | 23    |
| 9     | 1   | 19 | 11 | 3  | 6   | 6  | 9  | 3  | 24    |
| 10    | 2   | 3  | 2  | 0  | 6   | 16 | 1  | 2  | 25    |
| 11    | 2   | 6  | 7  | 2  | 7   | 7  | 11 | 0  | 26    |
| 12    | 2   | 10 | 4  | 1  | 7   | 19 | 9  | 0  | 27    |
| 13    | 2   | 14 | 4  | 2  | 8   | 12 | 6  | 2  | 28    |
| 14    | 2   | 18 | 8  | 3  | 9   | 6  | 4  | 0  | 29    |
| 15    | 3   | 3  | 5  | 1  | 10  | 1  | 3  | 0  | 30    |

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*The description and use of the Tables of Interest at 8 per annum, being profitable.*

*The first of them.*

**T**Hese Tables consist of foure *Columns*, in the first and fourth whereof is written over the head, yeeres, and under the first number of yeeres descending from 1 to 15, likewise in the fourth the number of yeeres descending from 16 to 30. And against every yeere in the second *Columnne*, toward the right hand the pounds, shillings, pence and farthings, which one pound, or 20s. principall will amount unto, being put forth and forborn for the number of yeeres set against it; (but the pounds, shillings, pence, &c. in the third *Columnne* belong to the yeeres set in the last *Columnne*.)

## 1. Example.

*Let it be required what one pound or 20 shillings, being put forth and forborn for 12 yeeres, ariseth to at 8 per centum, per annum, interest upon interest.*

Seek in the first *Columnne* under the title of yeeres, for 12 the number of yeeres proposed in the question, & right against it toward the right hand in the second *Columnne*, you shall find 2li—10s—4d—1q. which is the principall and increase thereof due for the time required.

## 2 Example.

*If 100 li. be put forth for 17 yeeres according to the same interest, I demand what it will amount to in that time?*

Look in the *Column* under the title of yeeres for 17, and right against it towards the left hand in the Table is found 3li—14s—0d—0q. which is the increase

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increase of 1li. by which you may thus gather the increase of 100li. or any other *summe*; a hundred times 3li. is 300 li. then 100 times 14 *shillings* is 70. li. both which added together doe make 370li—0s—0d. which is the *increase* of 100li. put forth and forborn 17. yeeres, the solution to the question.

## 3 Example.

*Suppose 60li. be put forth for 19 yeeres according to that rate, what will it increase to in that time?*

Seek 19 under the title of yeeres, and against it toward the left hand is found 4li—6s—3d—3q. now say 60

times 4li. is 240, and 60 times 6 *shillings* is 360 *shillings*, or 18li. and 60 times 3d. is 180 d. or 15 *shillings*, & 60 times 3 *farthings* is 3 *shillings* 9d. all which added together make 258li. 18 s. 9d. the increase thereof demanded.

*The second Table shewing what one pound annuity or yearly rent is worth at the end of any number of years under 31, being forborn, at 8 per centum per annum.*

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | q. | li. | s. | d. | q. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 1   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 30  | 6  | 5  | 3  | 16     |
| 2      | 2   | 1  | 7  | 0  | 33  | 15 | 0  | 0  | 17     |
| 3      | 3   | 4  | 6  | 0  | 37  | 9  | 0  | 0  | 18     |
| 4      | 4   | 10 | 1  | 1  | 41  | 8  | 11 | 0  | 19     |
| 5      | 5   | 12 | 2  | 3  | 45  | 15 | 2  | 3  | 20     |
| 6      | 7   | 6  | 8  | 0  | 50  | 8  | 5  | 2  | 21     |
| 7      | 8   | 18 | 5  | 1  | 55  | 9  | 1  | 2  | 22     |
| 8      | 10  | 12 | 8  | 3  | 60  | 17 | 10 | 1  | 23     |
| 9      | 12  | 9  | 9  | 0  | 66  | 15 | 3  | 2  | 24     |
| 10     | 14  | 9  | 8  | 3  | 73  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 25     |
| 11     | 16  | 12 | 10 | 3  | 79  | 19 | 1  | 0  | 26     |
| 12     | 18  | 19 | 0  | 2  | 87  | 7  | 0  | 0  | 27     |
| 13     | 21  | 9  | 10 | 3  | 95  | 6  | 1  | 2  | 28     |
| 14     | 24  | 4  | 3  | 2  | 103 | 19 | 3  | 3  | 29     |
| 15     | 27  | 3  | 0  | 2  | 113 | 5  | 7  | 3  | 30     |

*The use of the second Table, whose disposition is altogether like the former according to the title thereof, being profitable,*



1 Example.

*There is a Lease worth 28. li. per annum, to endure 14 years, I demand what it will rise unto at the end of those yeares being all forborne with the interest upon interest at the rate prescribed in this Table.*

Look in the third Table for 14 yeares, against which toward the right hand, you shall find 24li—4s—3d—2q. Now Multiply 28 li. by 24, there ariseth 672li. then 28li. by 4 s. yeeldeth 112s. or 5 li. 12 s. Again 28li. by 3d. li. s. d. q  
 produceth 84d. or 672 — 0 — 0 — 0  
 7s. finally, 28. by 5 — 12 — 0 — 0  
 2 farthings yeeldeth 7 — 0 — 0  
 56 farthings or 1 — 2 — 0  
 1s. 2d. Al which added together make 678 — 0 — 2 — 0  
 678li. 0s. 2d. to be received at the end of 14 yeares, the same rent or annuity being respited.

2 Example.

*If 60 li. yearly rent or annuity be forborn 20 years : I demand how much it will increase at the end of the said term ?*

In the Table I find that 1 pound in 20 yeares will arise to 45li—15s li—s—d—q  
 — 2d — 3q. 2700 — 0 — 0 — 0  
 therefore 60li. in the 45 — 0 — 0 — 0  
 like terme wil yeeld 10 — 0 — 0 — 0  
 60 times as much ; 3 — 9 — 0  
 which I will reckon — — — — —  
 thus : 60 times 45 2745 — 13 — 9 — 0  
 li. is 2700 li, 60 times 15 s. is 900 s. or 45l. 60 times

times 2 d. is 120 d. or 10 s. last of all, 60 times 3 q. is 180 farthings, or 3 s.—9 d. all which together amount unto 2745 li—13 s—9 d. the value thereof to be received at the end of the term.

## 3 Example.

*The yeerly rent of 6 li.—13 s—4 being behind and unpaid the space of 7 yeeres at the end of which term the Tenant is compelled to pay the same with the interest thereof according to the above named rate ; I demand what the payment ought to be.*

The increase of 1 li. yeerly rent answering to 7 yeeres, is 8 li. 18 s. 5 d. and which for 6 li. rent taken 6 times, ariseth to

|                        | li. | s. | d. | q. |
|------------------------|-----|----|----|----|
| 53 li. 10 s. 7 d. 2 q. | 53  | 10 | 7  | 2  |
| now becaule 13 s.      | 3   | 18 | 11 | 2  |
| 4 d. is two third      |     |    |    |    |
| parts of 1 li. there-  | 59  | 9  | 7  | 0  |

fore I take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 8 li. 18 s. 5 d. 1 q. which is the increase of 1 l. forborn for 7 yeers, that is 5 li. 18. 11 d. 1 q. which together make 59 li. 9 s. 7 d. 0 q. the summe to be received, as was required.

The third Table declaring what one pound due at the end of any number of yeers under 31 is worth ready money at 8 per centum, per annum.

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | q. | li. | s. | d. | q. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 0   | 18 | 7  | 0  | 0   | 5  | 10 | 0  | 16     |
| 2      | 0   | 17 | 10 | 3  | 0   | 5  | 4  | 3  | 17     |
| 3      | 0   | 15 | 1  | 2  | 0   | 5  | 0  | 0  | 18     |
| 4      | 0   | 14 | 8  | 1  | 0   | 4  | 7  | 2  | 19     |
| 5      | 0   | 13 | 7  | 1  | 0   | 4  | 3  | 1  | 20     |
| 6      | 0   | 12 | 7  | 0  | 0   | 3  | 11 | 2  | 21     |
| 7      | 0   | 11 | 8  | 1  | 0   | 3  | 8  | 0  | 22     |
| 8      | 0   | 10 | 9  | 2  | 0   | 3  | 4  | 3  | 23     |
| 9      | 0   | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 3  | 1  | 3  | 24     |
| 10     | 0   | 9  | 3  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 11 | 0  | 25     |
| 11     | 0   | 8  | 6  | 3  | 0   | 2  | 8  | 1  | 26     |
| 12     | 0   | 7  | 11 | 1  | 0   | 2  | 5  | 0  | 27     |
| 13     | 0   | 7  | 4  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 2  | 3  | 28     |
| 14     | 0   | 6  | 9  | 2  | 0   | 2  | 1  | 3  | 29     |
| 15     | 0   | 6  | 3  | 3  | 0   | 1  | 11 | 3  | 30     |

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*The third Table is disposed as the first, the use according to the Title thereof, being damagenable.*

### 1 Example.

*Suppose there is 750 li. due to be payed at the end of 9 yeeres, the Creditor would sell this debt for present money, what ought that money to be at the rate described in the Table?*

Seek in this third Table for 9 yeers at the left side of the Table, and right against it toward the right hand, you shall find 10 shillings, which multiplyed or taken 750 times, yeeldeth 7500 shillings, which is 375 li, the value of that debt in present money.

### 2 Example.

*There is a Lease worth 500 li. after the end of 7 yeers; what is it worth present money, according to the rate described in the Table staying till it fall?*

I seek in the Table for the 7 yeers, and right against it I find 11 s—8 d; now I multiply 500 by 11, it yeeldeth 5500 shillings, or li—s—d—q  
 275 li. then 500 times 8 d. 275---0---0---0  
 maketh 4000 d, which is 16 16--13--4---0  
 li. 13 s. 4 d. which added  
 together is 291 li. 13 s. 4 d. 291---13---4---0  
 the value of the Lease to be paid before it fall in hand.

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The fourth Table expressing what one pound yearly rent or annuity for any number of yeeres not exceeding 30 is worth ready money at 8 per centum per annum.

| yeers | li. | s. | d. | q. | li. | s. | d. | q. | yeers |
|-------|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|-------|
| 1     | 0   | 18 | 6  | 0  | 8   | 17 | 0  | 1  | 16    |
| 2     | 1   | 15 | 7  | 3  | 9   | 2  | 5  | 0  | 17    |
| 3     | 2   | 11 | 6  | 2  | 9   | 7  | 5  | 1  | 18    |
| 4     | 3   | 6  | 2  | 3  | 9   | 12 | 0  | 3  | 19    |
| 5     | 3   | 19 | 10 | 1  | 9   | 16 | 4  | 1  | 20    |
| 6     | 4   | 12 | 5  | 1  | 10  | 0  | 4  | 0  | 21    |
| 7     | 5   | 4  | 1  | 2  | 10  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 22    |
| 8     | 5   | 14 | 11 | 0  | 10  | 7  | 5  | 0  | 23    |
| 9     | 6   | 4  | 11 | 1  | 10  | 10 | 6  | 3  | 24    |
| 10    | 6   | 14 | 2  | 1  | 10  | 13 | 5  | 3  | 25    |
| 11    | 7   | 2  | 9  | 1  | 10  | 16 | 2  | 1  | 26    |
| 12    | 7   | 10 | 8  | 2  | 10  | 18 | 8  | 1  | 27    |
| 13    | 7   | 18 | 0  | 3  | 11  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 28    |
| 14    | 8   | 4  | 10 | 2  | 11  | 3  | 2  | 0  | 29    |
| 15    | 8   | 11 | 2  | 1  | 11  | 5  | 1  | 3  | 30    |

*The fourth Table is disposed altogether as the former, and the use thereof in like sort being damageable.*

## 1 Example.

*There is an annuity or rent of 20 s. per annum to endure 25 yeers, it is required what it is worth ready money?*

Look in the Table for 25 yeers, and right against it you shall finde 10 li. 13 s. 5 d. 3 q. which is the solution.

## 2 Example.

*What is the Lease of certaine Land valued at 140 li. per annum, to begin presently and endure 18 yeers, worth ready money?*

Search in the Table for 18 yeeres, the term named in the question, and right against it toward the left hand you shall find 9 li. 7 s. 5 d. 1 q. which expresseth that one pound rent to be bought for that terme is worth so much; therefore that summe 140 times is the value required. Now 140 times 9 li. is 1260, and 140 times 7 s. is 980 s. or 49 li; likewise 140 times 5 d. is 700 d. or 2 li. 18 4d. and 140 farthings is 2 s. 11 d. all which added together make 1312 li. 1 s. 3 d. for the value of the said Lease paying no rent.

| li.  | s. | d. |
|------|----|----|
| 1260 | 0  | 0  |
| 49   | 0  | 0  |
| 2    | 18 | 4  |
|      | 2  | 11 |
| 1312 | 1  | 3  |

## 3 Example



3 Example.

*A Lease taken for 21 yeers at 13 li. 6 s. 8 d. per annum, which after 5 yeers expired, the Tenant is desirous to give a fine, and bring the rent down to 8 li. per annum, for the rest of the term, the demand is what fine is to be payed?*

Subtract 5 yeers from 21, the remain 16, is the time unexpired; likewise from the present rent abate 8 li. the rest will be 5 li-6 s-8 d. now the drift of the question is, what 5 li-6 s-8 d. yearly rent or annuity to indure 16 yeeres is worth present money.

The value of 1 li. rent or annuity answering to 16 yeers is, 8 li-17 s-0 d. 1 q. Now 5 times 8 li. is 40 li. and 5 times 17 s. 4 li 5 s. and 5 times one farthing, is 1 d-1 q. and because 6 s-8 d. is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 1 li. I take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of 8 li-17 s-0 d. 1 q. which is 2 li-19 s-0 d. all which added together, make 47 li-4 s-0 d-1 q. which is the fine that ought to be paid to bring the rent to 8 l. per annum,

| li.   | s. | d. | q. |
|-------|----|----|----|
| 40    | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 4     | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| 2     | 19 | 0  | 1  |
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| 47    | 4  | 0  | 1  |

*The fifth Table declaring what yearly rent or annuity of one pound ready money will purchase for any number of yeers under 31 at 8 per centum per annum.*

| yeers. | li. | s. | d. | q. | li. | s. | d. | q. | yeers. |
|--------|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|--------|
| 1      | 0   | 18 | 7  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 9  | 3  | 16     |
| 2      | 0   | 14 | 0  | 2  | 0   | 2  | 8  | 3  | 17     |
| 3      | 0   | 9  | 8  | 2  | 0   | 2  | 8  | 0  | 18     |
| 4      | 0   | 7  | 6  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 7  | 0  | 19     |
| 5      | 0   | 6  | 3  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 6  | 2  | 20     |
| 6      | 0   | 5  | 4  | 3  | 0   | 2  | 5  | 3  | 21     |
| 7      | 0   | 4  | 9  | 2  | 0   | 2  | 5  | 1  | 22     |
| 8      | 0   | 4  | 4  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 4  | 3  | 23     |
| 9      | 0   | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 4  | 1  | 24     |
| 10     | 0   | 3  | 8  | 2  | 0   | 2  | 4  | 0  | 25     |
| 11     | 0   | 3  | 6  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 0  | 3  | 26     |
| 12     | 0   | 3  | 3  | 3  | 0   | 2  | 3  | 1  | 27     |
| 13     | 0   | 3  | 1  | 3  | 0   | 2  | 3  | 0  | 28     |
| 14     | 0   | 3  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 2  | 2  | 3  | 29     |
| 15     | 0   | 2  | 11 | 0  | 0   | 2  | 2  | 2  | 30     |

*In the fifth Table the Numbers and Columns are all disposed as the former Tables, and needeth no further explanation but only Examples.*

## 1 Example.

*The Table declareth at first sight what yearly rent or annuity one Pound ready money will purchase for any terme in the Table expressed.*

But if the ready money be above one pound, then if any value or rent set down in this Table, be multiplied by the number belonging to the years in question, the product will shew what yearly rent or annuity that ready money will purchase for the time proposed.

## 2 Example.

*A certain man hath 750 li. to purchase an Annuity to endure 27 yeers, so as it may yeeld him the like profit, as if it were put out according to the rate in the Table expressed, it is required what that annuity ought to be?*

Because the annuity is to endure 27 yeeres, seek out the value or rent set against 27 yeers, in this fifth Table, which is 2s — 3d — 1q. now this being the Annuity with 20 s. ready money will purchase for that

|    |   |    |   |   |   |   |
|----|---|----|---|---|---|---|
| li | — | s  | — | d | — | q |
| 75 | — | 0  | — | 0 | — | 0 |
| 9  | — | 7  | — | 6 | — | 0 |
|    |   | 15 | — | 7 | — | 2 |
|    |   |    |   |   |   |   |
| 85 | — | 3  | — | 1 | — | 2 |

terme, it must be multiplied by 750 li. as followeth, because 2s. is the tenth part of 20 s. therefore take the tenth part of 750 li. which is 75 li.

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which set first down, then 750 times 3d, is 9l, 7s, 6d.  
which set under the former, last of all 750 farthings  
is 15s, 7d, 2q. All which added together, produce  
85 li. 3s. 1d. 2q. the yearly Annuity required.

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*Deo soli laus, omnis honor  
& gloria tribuatur.*

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FINIS.

*Compendious Tables of Interest money forborn any  
number of Dayes Weeks, Moneths, or Years under  
22; exactly calculated at 6 l. per Cent. per Annum,*

| Days.    | Numbers. | Yeares. | Numbers. |
|----------|----------|---------|----------|
| I        | 100016.  | I       | 106000.  |
| II       | 100032.  | II      | 112360.  |
| III      | 100048.  | III     | 119102.  |
| IV       | 100064.  | III     | 126248.  |
| V        | 100080.  | V       | 133822.  |
| VI       | 100096.  | VI      | 141852.  |
| Weekes.  |          | VII     | 150363.  |
| I        | 100112.  | VIII    | 159385.  |
| II       | 100224.  | IX      | 168948.  |
| III      | 100336.  | X       | 179085.  |
| Moneths. |          | XI      | 189830.  |
| I        | 100487.  | XII     | 201220.  |
| II       | 100976.  | XIII    | 213293.  |
| III      | 101467.  | XIV     | 226090.  |
| III      | 101961.  | XV      | 239656.  |
| V        | 102458.  | XVI     | 254035.  |
| VI       | 102956.  | XVII    | 269277.  |
| VII      | 103457.  | XVIII   | 285434.  |
| VIII     | 103961.  | XIX     | 302560.  |
| IX       | 104467.  | XX      | 320714.  |
| X        | 104976.  | XXI     | 339956.  |
| XI       | 105486.  |         |          |

*The use of this Table of proportionall numbers;  
the Radius 100000.*

This Table is divided into 4 columnes, and the first in 3 parts ascending from 1 day unto 6. secondly from 1 weeke to three, thirdly from one moneth proceeding to 11. the third columnne comprehends the yeares inclusive from 1 to 21 as by their numerall letters doe appear: the second and fourth columnes are proportionall numbers, in arithmetically characters, respectively answering the time or times compounded of Days, Weeks, Moneths and Yeers to 21, as by examples shall be evidenc'd.

*An explanation.*

What will 50 L. amount unto, if forborne 21 years, the Interest allow'd at 6 L. per Cent. per An.

Look in the columnne of years for the terme of forbearance propounded, in this 21, whose *Decimall* is

339256, which multiplied by the principall forborn viz. 50 L. the product will be 169|97800, to be divided by the *Radius* 100000, therefore cut off 5 places (as in the margin)

from the right hand, and there will appeare 169 L. the remainder 97800 multiply by 20 s. or by 2, and annex a cipher at the right hand, the product is 19 56000, cutt off 5 places as before; on the left hand you will find 19 S. the remainder 56000, which increas'd by 12 D. produ-

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|   |     |  |        |
|---|-----|--|--------|
| L | 169 |  | 97800  |
| S | —19 |  | 56000  |
|   |     |  | 112000 |
| D | —6  |  | 72000  |
| Q | —2  |  | 88 000 |
|   |     |  | 100    |

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ceth 6' 72000, strike off 5 places, you will discover the 6. remainder 72000 multiplied by 4 Q. and worke as before, you shall find 2  $\frac{22}{33}$  Q. so 50 L. forborn 21 yeares at 6 L. per Cent. per An. will amount unto the summe of 169 L. 19 S. 6 D 2  $\frac{22}{33}$  Q. the demand solv'd.

If a question consists of severall denominations viz. Pounds, Shillings, Pence, see the rules of Practice in the propositions of Interest; if mixt, as in respect of time, viz. Moneths, Weeks, Days &c. find first the encrease for the terme of years, and multiplie all that by the proportionall number found in the former Table, for the parts of a yeare the result will answer tripple expectation; for Decimall tables, (or what these Authors have not treated off) I referre the Reader unto my bookes of *Naturall* and *Artificiall* Arithmetick, or my Scales of commerce and Trade, this place being not convenient to enlarge my selfe, or build upon anothers ground neither will I lessen their workes (by me now corrected) whereby to magnifie my owne, but have inserted this Table, and here I subscribe my name, hoping my labours may give you ease I rest

Your friend although unknown

*Thomas Willsford.*

To every young Arithmetician, or practitioner in Numbers, who shall peruse these Bookes.

Candid Lector,



*You will here receive an old Arithmetick from the authoritie of Record, entailed upon the People, ratified and sign'd by the approbation of Time, with multitudes of surviving witnesses; so expect not from me to confer Encomiums, when I had written nothing here, but that through mistakes and oversights of former Correctors, Errors have appear'd like infirmities incident to decrepit Age, involv'd within the sheets, as if prepar'd for a funerall, the Authors Senses departed, or in a trance confused and ambiguous, their names remaining like inscriptions on a Tombe, where corruption of one have demonstrated generations of others.*

*Some places I found obliterated, other parts dislocated, or false numbers have usurp'd their*

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Thomas Willsford,

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